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TOKYO BACK TO NORMAL FOLLOWING SURRENDER OF REBELS

NEW PACT RATIFIED

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French Government's Responsibility.

QUESTION OF CONFIDENCE OVERLOOKED

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Paris, To-day.
The ratification of the Franco-Russian Pact was approved by the Chamber by 355 votes to 164. In accordance with the decision taken by the Cabinet Council earlier in the day, M. Sarraut had made the ratification a question of confidence. The assurance is given that this was not done to exert any pressure on the Chamber, but it was felt that the Government should take the full responsibility.

It is recalled that the Soviet Ambassador, M. Potemkin, was received by M. Flandin yesterday, and tendered the information that the Soviet Government would "consider it as an unfriendly act if the question of confidence is not raised."

REGRETTABLE MISTAKE
After the Franco-Russian Pact was ratified, it was discovered, to the general surprise, that in the rush of the moment the Government had not put the question of confidence, as previously decided. (Continued on Page 14)

SANCTIONS

FRENCH ATTITUDE UNCHANGED

Paris, To-day.
At a meeting of the Council of Ministers, presided over by M. L. Brun, yesterday morning, it was decided that the Government's attitude to sanctions at Geneva will be "the maintenance of the previous engagements." This means co-operation in any collective action which may be decided upon by the Committee of Eighteen. M. Flandin will represent the Government at Geneva.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

LEAGUE COUNCIL MEETING

IMPORTANT POINT TO BE RAISED

Paris, To-day.
It is understood that at the urgent request of France one of the chief matters to be discussed at Geneva on March 2 will be the important problem of the application of the Treaty of Locarno in the event of the violation of Articles XLII and XLIII of the Covenant, which deal with the demilitarisation of the Rhineland.—Reuter.

OBITUARY

Famous Russian Scientist

Moscow, To-day.
The death has occurred of the Soviet psychologist Ivan Pavlov, at the age of 86. Although Pavlov was not a supporter of the Soviet rule, the Government, in appreciation of his scientific work, allotted him an annual pension of 200,000 roubles, and a gift of 1,000,000 roubles for the extension of his laboratory in Leningrad.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.



A Munich beer wagon made of snow. During the last cold winter Herr Sailer, a house-painter, made this strange snow sculpture at Sendlinger Place in Munich. The successful piece of workmanship met with much admiration. The well-known "Munich Kid" is, of course, not lacking in the "four-in-hand."

COMPANY MEETING

THE TRAMWAYS' GRIEVANCE

Govt. Action With Regard To Buses

COMPANY NOT INFORMED OF CONCESSION

At the annual meeting of shareholders of the Hong Kong Tramways Ltd., which was held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., this afternoon, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, who occupied the chair, made reference to "the sudden announcement that the Government had permitted the China Motor Bus Company to introduce second-class fares on routes competing with tram cars."

Amongst those present were Sir Shou-sun Chow, Messrs. M. T. Johnson, Chao Po-sien, A. H. Compton, F. A. Joseph (Directors), L. C. E. Bellamy (General Manager), W. F. Simmons (Secretary) and the following shareholders: Messrs. C. Gordon Macle, W. Allen, W. H. Choy, C. A. L. Rickett, O. el Arculli, Frank Austin, S. T. Williamson, F. H. Crapnell, F. W. Stapleton, A. H. Mackenzie, Chua Seng-choo, F. Schriber, J. Manners, Lo Kaving and B. W. Tape.

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH
Addressing the meeting, the Chairman said:-

"On April 1 last year your Company sustained the heaviest blow in its history in the sudden announcement that the Government

ANTI-FASCIST RIOTS

Demonstrations In Rumania

Bucharest, To-day.
An anti-Fascist riot occurred outside the Courts of Justice, in which a number of Radicals are on trial for Communistic activities. The police fired a few shots, after which the rioters dispersed, there being no casualties.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

POLICE OFFICER MISSING

San Francisco, To-day.—Mr. Stanley Keyes, an English police officer stationed in Shanghai, bound for London, was reported missing from the liner Chichibu Maru when it docked here.—Reuter.

FRENCH ATTACK ON KARAKORUMS

Expedition Arrives In Bombay

Bombay, To-day.
The French expedition to attack the heights of the Karakorum Mountains, in North Kashmir, arrived yesterday. The expedition intends to establish a base camp on a glacier 12,000 feet high, and 12 camps will be laid along the trail to the summit.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

TITHE RENT CHARGES

Proposed Abolition In England

COMMISSION'S PROPOSALS ADOPTED

London, To-day.
The abolition of tithes, on which the incomes of the majority of the rural English clergy depend, is foreshadowed by a Government statement of policy based on the recommendations of the Royal Commission on Tithes, appointed in August, 1934, proposing the complete extinction of the whole existing tithe rent charge.

The report suggests that the Government should purchase compulsorily all tithe rent charges from the existing owners, who will be compensated by the issue of a new Government 3 per cent stock amounting to £78,000,000.

The tithe-payers' liabilities will be extinguished by equal annuities spread over 40 years. The annuities will be equal in amount to the gross annual value of the tithe rent charge, as taken by the Commission.

The Government statement declares that the Government is prepared to accept the main conclusions of the Commission. It is learned that the Government intends to introduce the necessary legislation in the Spring, so that the Bill will be enacted by the Autumn.—Reuter.

NEW CHIEF JUSTICE OF BURMA APPOINTED

London, To-day.—H. M. the King has approved of the appointment of Mr. E. G. H. Roberts as Chief Justice of Burma at Rangoon, in place of Sir Arthur Page, retired.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

TROOPS WITHDRAWN FROM STREETS THREE CANDIDATES FOR PREMIERSHIP

WAR SCARE IN FRANCE

Tokyo, To-day.

Following the announcement that the rebels were returning to their barracks yesterday morning, Tokyo last night resumed its normal life. The theatres and cinemas reopened and the troops guarding the public buildings were withdrawn.

Speculation is rife as regards the appointment of a successor to Admiral Okada, in which connection three names are prominently mentioned: Prince Konoe, President of the House of Peers, Admiral Yamamoto, Supreme War Councillor, and General Mochizuki, former Inspector-General of Military Education, one of the victims of the army purge which led to the assassination of General Nagata on August 12 last.

Paris: The spectre of the Tokyo rising leading to a Russo-Japanese war, a German attack on the Soviet in the rear and France being dragged in to help the Soviet against Germany has appeared to fertile imaginations after the vote on the Franco-Soviet Pact last evening.

JAPAN'S AIMS IN CHINA

South-West Leaders' Opinion

POSITION WATCHED WITH GREAT INTEREST

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, To-day.
Further Japanese military activities in China are foreseen by observers here in close touch with affairs in Japan, as the militarists and Fascists who killed the Premier and other high officials are committed to a policy of continental invasion at the expense of China.

Messrs. Chou Lou, Hu Han-min and Hsiao Fu-chen, veteran Kuomintang leaders, who are loud in denouncing Japanese aggression, are watching the situation in Tokyo with keen interest. Although Mr. Hachiro Arita, the new Japanese Ambassador, mentioned Sino-Japanese co-operation and friendship in a written statement to the Press in Shanghai, it is feared here that he will not be permitted to carry out a policy of conciliation.

Each of the Kuomintang leaders was visited by General Iwane Matsui of the Supreme War Council in Tokyo, and they agree that Sino-Japanese friendship is out of the question when Japan is bent on invading this country. The views of these leaders have made a profound impression on the general public.

The views of the Canton military leaders were not made public after they were interviewed by General Matsui. It is believed that in large problems they generally follow the opinion of the three Kuomintang leaders.

EMPEROR ILL?

MEDICAL ADVISER SUMMONED

Rome, To-day.
The medical adviser to the Negus has been urgently summoned from Addis Ababa to Dessale, according to a Djibouti report.—Reuter.



Mr. Kiyoshi Takahama, the famous Japanese "Haiku" poet, above, who is passing through the Colony on the s.s. Hakone Maru en route to Marseilles.

JAPANESE POET IN COLONY

Famous Exponent Of The "Haiku"

MR. K. TAKOHAMA

Mr. K. Takohama, Japan's most famous "Haiku" or *kyōka* poet, arrived in the Colony this morning, accompanied by his daughter, en route to Marseilles by the s.s. Hakone Maru. Sixty-two years of age, Mr. Takohama is making his second visit to Europe in order to visit his son, who is studying music at the Paris Conservatoire, and who is a Paris Conservatoire, and who is a Paris Conservatoire.

CHOLERA RAGING IN SIAM

Hundreds Dying Every Day

Singapore, To-day.
Cholera is raging in Siam and hundreds of people are dying daily. Bangkok has been declared an infected port and air passengers from Bangkok are in quarantine before coming aboard. The Siamese Government is spending huge sums in preventive work.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

arranging for his father's tour of the European capitals.

Recognised as Japan's national poet, Mr. Takohama would have been made Poet Laureate had such a position been created by the Imperial Japanese family. (Continued on Page 14)

ANGLO-IRISH RELATIONS

COAL AGREEMENT RATIFIED

Dublin, To-day.
The Dail, by 72 votes to 49, has ratified the recent Anglo-Irish coal and cattle agreement. The motion moved by Mr. Cosgrave, that the agreement should not be ratified until immediate steps had been taken to negotiate a comprehensive settlement between the Irish and British Governments, was defeated by a similar vote.

During the debate President de Valera stated that the Free State was still willing to submit the land annuities dispute to a tribunal without restriction, and that was a big thing for a small country to do.—Reuter.

NOTTS COUNTY WIN

London, To-day.—Notts County won at Newport yesterday by 2 goals to 1 in the Third Division (South) of the Football League.—Reuter.

DEADLOCK AGAIN

LONDON NAVAL CONFERENCE

Italian Withdrawal Foreshadowed

FRENCH ATTITUDE MAY BE AFFECTED

London, To-day.
Mr. Eden held a meeting yesterday with the German Ambassador and the First Lord of the Admiralty, at which Mr. Eden hoped to secure German adherence to any agreements which may be reached at the London Naval Conference. Mr. Eden also met Signor Grandi, the chief Italian delegate to the Naval Conference, yesterday afternoon.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

ITALIAN WITHDRAWAL?

London, Later: Italy's departure from the Naval Conference is foreshadowed by an official statement after the meeting between Signor Grandi and Mr. Anthony Eden, which says: "Owing to technical difficulties—like the size of battleships and the question of the gap between battleships and cruisers, as well as on account of the difficulties of procedure, the Italian delegation, animated today that they were not prepared at present to enter into a naval agreement."

The gap relates to the so-called non-construction areas between the largest cruiser of 8,000 tons and the smallest battleship of 20,000 tons. The difficulties of procedure are understood to relate to political issues and the existence of sanctions. It is now understood that the conference contemplates continuing on a three-Power basis. (Continued on Page 14)

CO-ORDINATION OF DEFENCE

Important Scheme Outlined

MR. BALDWIN'S STATEMENT IN COMMONS

London, To-day.
Mr. Stanley Baldwin made an important statement yesterday to the House of Commons regarding the co-ordination of the defence services. He said it had been decided that while the Prime Minister would retain, as he clearly must, the chairmanship of the Committee of Imperial Defence and of the Defence Policy and Requirements Committee, a Minister would be appointed as Deputy-Chairman of these Committees, to whom the Prime Minister would delegate the following duties:—

Firstly, general day-to-day supervision and control, on the Prime Minister's behalf, of the whole organisation and activity of the Committee of Imperial Defence; co-ordination of executive action and of monthly progress reports to the Cabinet or any committee appointed by them on the execution of the reconditioning plan.

Secondly, in the Prime Minister's absence, taking the chair at the Committee of Imperial Defence and the Defence Policy and Requirements Committee.

Thirdly, personal consultation with the Chiefs of Staff together, including the right to convene under his chairmanship the Chiefs of Staff Committee whenever he or they might think desirable. (Continued on Page 14)

MAIL SCHEDULES

AIR MAIL

Imperial Airways via Singapore
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Saigon-Marseilles via Saigon
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Correspondence will be accepted for transmission by these services. Rates and all particulars are shown in the schedules exhibited at the Post Office. All letters etc., must be marked "By Air Mail" and be handed in at the Post Office.

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INWARD MAILS FROM EUROPE

Hakozaki Maru (Imperial Air Mail ex Service) Feb. 28
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Ranchi (via Suva) Mar. 5

FROM SHANGHAI

Burdwan Feb. 28
Hakozaki Maru Feb. 28
Hakozaki Maru Feb. 28
Emp. of Japan Feb. 28
Pres. Polk Feb. 28
Asama Maru Feb. 28

Pres. Pierce Feb. 2
Philippines Feb. 2
Rawalpindi Feb. 2
Pres. Jefferson Feb. 6
Gen. Pershing Feb. 6

FROM U.S.A.

Emp. of Japan Feb. 28
Pres. Polk Mar. 2
Pres. Pierce Mar. 2
Pres. Jefferson Mar. 6

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

Eumaeus Feb. 28
Hoang Feb. 28
Hector Mar. 2
Taina Mar. 2

FROM JAPAN

Emp. of Japan Feb. 28
Hakozaki Maru Feb. 28
Hakozaki Maru Feb. 28
Emp. of Japan Feb. 28
Pres. Polk Feb. 28
Asama Maru Feb. 28

Pres. Pierce Feb. 2
Tanda Feb. 2
Africa Maru Feb. 5
Pres. Jefferson Feb. 5
Rawalpindi Feb. 6
Gen. Pershing Feb. 6

FROM MANILA

Pres. Grant Feb. 28
Tjisslak Feb. 2
Nankin Feb. 4
Taiping Feb. 6

FROM AUSTRALIA

Nankin Mar. 4
Taiping Mar. 6

OUTWARD MAILS FOR EUROPE

Burdwan (via Marseilles) Feb. 28
Closes: Reg. 4.15 p.m. Ord. 5 p.m.
Pres. Grant (via Siberia) Feb. 28
Closes: Reg. 4.15 p.m. Ord. 5 p.m.

Hakozaki Maru (Imperial Service) Feb. 28
Closes: Reg. 5 p.m. Ord. 6 p.m.
Hector (via Siberia) Mar. 29
Closes: Reg. 5 p.m. Ord. 6 p.m.

Asama Maru (via Siberia) Mar. 4
Closes: Reg. 5 p.m. Ord. 8.30 a.m.
Rawalpindi (via Marseilles) Mar. 6
Closes: Reg. 9.45 a.m. Ord. 10 a.m.

FOR SHANGHAI

Hakozaki Maru Feb. 28
Pres. Grant Feb. 28
Hector Feb. 29
Asama Maru Mar. 4

Women's Page

Forecast Of Fashions For Spring

What To Wear At Home And Abroad

ONE of the first enquiries about the coming vogue is whether skirts are to be shorter or waists higher. For some time past the mode has been drifting towards shorter skirts and normal waistlines for day-time, including the jackets that accompany tailored skirts or little dresses of wool for informal wear.

The formal reception or evening frock is not influenced by such decisions. They remain as they were and, in some instances, trains are longer and more important. The slit-skirt for the smart afternoon or demitille is cut to rather below the instep. It is tight, and although not quite of the tube variety is glad of the slit from below the knee to allow of freedom of movement.

Many dresses are pleated, with the skirt just clearing the ground. These are good for all sorts of informal dancing frocks and afternoon gowns in mousseline-de-soie-plisse.

Smart Novelty

A smart novelty in the tailored world is the plain short skirt of heavy wool-jersey, slit at one

side just to show a glimpse of satin panties, possibly in black or a very dark shade, which can be repeated in a shirt-bouse worn under a little plaid coat. It is completed with knitted hat, scarf and tie.

These aspects of the suit recall the Highland kilt in plaid with the positions reversed, for that is worn with the plain coat. A checked beige and red coat had a pleated skirt of plain, light beige wool. This was going to Egypt, and was charmingly crowned by a beige felt hat, with wool plaited through the brim and forming two pom-poms at the side in the brilliant colours of the plaid coat. A plain knitted silk jumper reflected the sandy shade, which is always the law for the traveller bound for the desert.

Cashmere For Cruising

Cashmere and hopsack are good for the traveller. Sand-coloured hopsack is particularly smart for a tailored suit, and has the advantage of being an excellent foundation for any bright or sober shade that may be worn with it—black or dark brown shoes with shirts and ties in spotted black or red and white, brown with green, or beige with blue, or purple.

Much all-white will go cruising. The newest wools and jerseys are particularly successful in the paler tones and that vast variety known as off-the-white. Cashmere is an ideal cruising fabric for informal evening dresses. In colours the drier-pink, pastel-blue and sea-green are chosen for warmer climates. Knitted silk frocks are also seen for evening as well as for day suits, though for the latter



A charming afternoon frock of black crepe, its bodice blouse braided with bow-knots and using a double cluster of pink camellias at the throat, is worn here by Rochelle Hudson, screen actress. With it is worn a black velvet hat featuring a soft dropped bow at the side.

every colour and weight give unending satisfaction.

To return to the homeland, black will be seen as usual for smartest street wear. It can be relieved with a multi-coloured bonnet, or hat in one of the new straw, several of which closely resemble shaded laces or hand-drawn lines.

Duvetyn is a material that bridges the difference between velvet and felt. It is effectively and easily manipulated into the new fool's caps, with curling brims added. A severe tailored suit in black diagonal serge bound with silk braid had a waistcoat and folded cap of yellow duvetyn, the gauntlet gloves were also in yellow.

Parma and a deeper violet have appeared. Thick-ribbed tailored suits in the darker tones of this colour look well with white accessories. For the evening, too, we shall see many frocks in pansy shadings.

Chinese Green

There is an untal Chinese olive-green that will be the choice of a few distinctive dressers. It is the most difficult colour, as its muddy ingredients require skilful make-up and a congenial background. Black will help it.

Fashionable women know that, especially for the tailored trend, once they depart from the familiar black, white, brown or navy, they come up against very complicated forms and mixtures in dress shades. Often the most novel and interesting colours are very unbecoming in themselves. Yet if they can strike a really new note in fashion they are worthy of the trouble taken to render them more



ter wool and canvas are best. They look well under the loose homespun and woven seafaring coats of tweed.

Funny Things

Experienced travellers realise that silk alone does funny things at sea or in tropical lands. Linen, too, is more difficult to keep fresh, but wool-weaves and wool-laces in

Shampoo Capes

Shoulder capes and head bands made of fine, washable rubber in various attractive shades which are intended for the protection of clothes and hair when one is making up the face are now obtainable quite cheaply.

They certainly save their cost many times after a week or so of use because dresses which show a film of powder around the neck and shoulders look most unsightly and necessitate frequent visits to the cleaner.

These capes are also very useful for shampoo purposes.

SMART NOTE PAPER

One of the smartest of the new notepapers is in a pale coffee colour, much deeper in shade than the more usual cream.

If you decide to use this type of stationery then you will also like to keep upon your desk a bottle of very dark brown ink, which looks most effective with the pale notepaper.

The size of the sheets is rather smaller than before. They are large enough to be folded once and then slipped into rather large squarish envelopes.

NEW FLAT COMPACT

Compact, in the true sense of the word, is the newest silver mesh model. In a narrow silver metal frame, two and a half inches square, it is unusually flat, but the softness of the armour mesh provides a roomy pouch for your loose powder supply. High light—an unbreakable mirror that doesn't distort your features.

pleasingly wearable without detracting from their chic.

Hats and accessories nowadays make all the difference. They are helpful, and it is interesting to combine foolish ultra-feminine fancies with the austere styles and often strange colours into a practical scheme of dressing.

Women frequently declare they would far rather be in the fashion even if it is ugly. This attitude can be understood, but they will find plenty to assist them in turning the first, perhaps crude, aspect of a new mode or colour to good account. In the search after originality even the best designers may make mistakes, which they rectify as the newer season warms up.

No ugly fashion survives in these days. Freaks creep in to cause a sensation, but the real test of the creator of modes is like that of an author—to discover a bestseller.



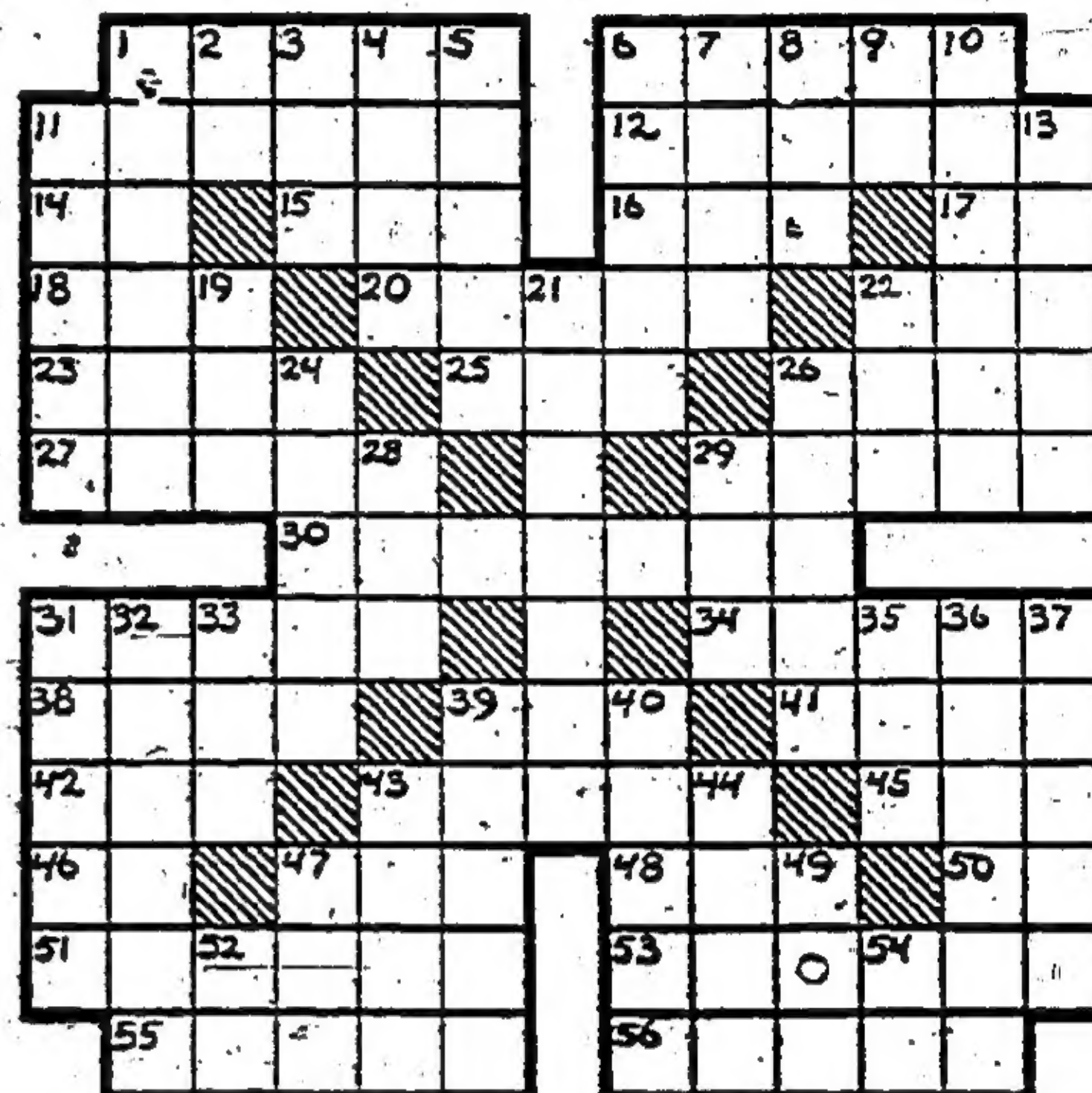
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



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| HORIZONTAL | HORIZONTAL (Cont.) | VERTICAL (Cont.) |
| 1-Calculator | 46-Imitate | 11-Browned bread |
| 6-Violently killed | 47-Dose | 13-Utterance nasally |
| 11-Tauter | 50-A New England State (abbr.) | 18-Fifty-two |
| 12-Murky | 51-Discoverer of the law of gravitation | 21-Judge |
| 14-Suffix meaning oil | 53-Exchange | 22-A bird (pl.) |
| 15-Look | 55-Acts | 23-The (Fr.) |
| 16-A naval title | 56-A bristle (Surg.) | 24-Point of compass (abbr.) |
| 17-Preposition | | 25-Clear |
| 18-The whole | VERTICAL | 26-Calm |
| 20-Ventured | 1-Underground room of a house | 27-Anger |
| 22-Pronoun | 2-Upon | 28-A number |
| 23-Navigate | 3-United States ship (abbr.) | 29-Signs |
| 25-Half a score | 4-Want | 30-Tears |
| 26-A bearing (Her.) | 5-Give pleasure to | 31-Without feet |
| 27-Hardship | 6-Glisten | 32-Scarcely |
| 28-Rate of motion | 7-Soil | 33-Greek goddess of mischief |
| 29-Set free | 8-Farm animal | 34-Small lump of butter |
| 31-Peers | 9-Prowess | 35-You and I |
| 32-Finished | 10-Provoke | 36-Act |
| 33-Etruscan god (pl.) | | |
| 35-Over (contr.) | | |
| 41-Bargain | | |
| 42-Metric land measure | | |
| 43-Turkist official | | |
| 45-Adult males | | |

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

GAUZE

A piece of gauze laid over the dressing-table accessories when using powder, and then shaken out of the window, will save many a dusting. Coloured gauze makes an ideal rag bag and button bag, as the exact material wanted can be easily seen, which saves emptying the bag for a weary search. A piece of gauze should also be kept in the ironing basket so that when a damp cloth is needed for pressing purposes one is always at hand.

WHEN PACKING

When packing a case for travelling it is much better to put in a tube of good shaving soap than an ordinary cake of soap. There will not be a cake of wet soap to room.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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SAT CRESS ASP
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22nd, 24th, 25th, 26th, and 29th February, 1936

ON SATURDAY, 22nd, MONDAY 24th, TUESDAY, 25th, and WEDNESDAY, 26th, February, the first race will be run at 11.00 a.m. and the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On SATURDAY, 29th, February, the first race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

The time interval will be taken after the fifth race on the first four days.

MEMBERS BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badge prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax — or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a member, such member to be responsible for all chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27794) WILL CLOSE AT 10.00 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 12.00 NOON ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box, Telephone No. 21920.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission of the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tote men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting. Tickets will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES
Passes for Servants will be issued on application to the Secretary, 1st floor, Exchange Building.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

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C. B. BROWN,
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GENERAL NOTICES

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION

THE FINAL DIVIDEND declared for the Year ending 31st December 1935 at the rate of Three Pounds Sterling at exchange 1/3 5/8 is payable on and after the 24th, February 1936 at the Offices of the Corporation, where shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 22nd February, 1936.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned will no longer be responsible for any complaints and debts that may be incurred on and after 1st March 1936, as he is severing his partnership from the business concerned.

All Creditors are hereby informed to send in Bills on or before the 29th day of February 1936.

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Partner.

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Company Meetings

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE FORTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 5th March, 1936, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1935.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED ON FRIDAY, the 21st February 1936, to THURSDAY, the 5th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

F. H. CRAPNELL,

Secretary.

Hong Kong 12th February, 1936.

HONG KONG TELEPHONE
COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the ELEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held on THURSDAY, the 12th day of March, 1936, at the BOARD ROOM of the Company, Second Floor, Exchange Building, Hong Kong, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors, for the financial year ended 31st December, 1935, and re-electing two Directors and the Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd March to the 12th March 1936, both days inclusive.

Dated this 4th day of February, 1936.

Order of the Board,

W. L. MCKENZIE,

Secretary.

14, Des Voeux Road Central,
Hong Kong.

STRUCK BLIND
HUSBAND"Murder Done If You
Are At Large"

Two sentences, each of six months' imprisonment to run consecutively, were passed at Old street last month on Kathleen Gibbey, aged 37, of Little Essex street, Shore-ditch, for causing grievous bodily harm to her blind husband, and for a breach of a probation order.

It was alleged that she struck her husband with the wooden seat of a chair.

The magistrate (Mr. F. O. Langley) said to Mrs. Gibbey: "There will be murder done if you are at large."

BRIDGE NOTES

Passing A
Two-Bid

By Ely Culbertson

Coming in on a commuting train the other day, a friend of mine witnessed a strenuous card tussle by Bridge players who had ideas of their own about the game, when a deal came along which reminded me of Tennyson's immortal "Charge of the Light Brigade." One of the players had opened with a two-bid and his partner passed! The lines I thought of need only a slight change to be applied to partners of two-bidders. "Theirs not to reason why. Theirs but to make reply."

This was the hand:
North, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable.

S 2	N S 75
H 9 8 4 2	W E 7 6 3
D 8 7 6 3	S D K 10 4 2
C 7 6 5 3	C A J 9 8
S K 10 6 4 3	N S 7 5
H J	W E 7 6 3
D Q J 9	S D K 10 4 2
C K Q 10 4	C A J 9 8
S A Q J 9 8	
H A K Q 10 5	
D A 5	
C 2	

The bidding:
North East South West
Pass Pass 2S Pass

South had a real two-bid—"more honour-tricks than losers"—and North's pass was inexcusable despite his Yarborough.

In actual play, West opened the King of clubs and South ruffed the second round of the suit. Down to four trumps, South could not play spades and when his second lead of hearts was trumped, he was again forced to ruff a club. A third round of hearts was ruffed by West and on the fourth club lead declarer discarded his losing diamond, but squirmed though he would, he could not save more than six tricks—one diamond, a heart and four spades.

After the hand, the argument began in earnest and North used the fact that partner couldn't even make one spade to justify his having passed—claiming that South always shaded his two-bids anyway. By this time the train was in the station and North was too angry to point out the fact that he could have made five-odd at their best contract—hearts—if North had merely kept the bidding open to give him a chance to name his second suit.

The bidding should have gone:

North	South
Pass	2S
2NT	3H
4H	Pass

Most players who would not dream of passing a two-bid as North did, are themselves guilty of a fault which spoils the efficacy of this bid. By shading their own two-bids below normal requirements, they create the state of mind which occasionally causes a partner to remember previous sets and pass a force with a bust hand. A two-bid should be respected by the player who makes one—as well as by his partner.

ALLEGED SHOP-
THEFTSThree Sisters In
Custody

Three sisters, Frances Meredith, aged 52, of Maryland-road, Thornton Heath; Ada Rogers, aged 48, Westcombe-avenue, Croydon; and Laura Terry, aged 41, Wandsworth-road, S.W., all married, appeared at Westminster Police-court recently.

They were charged with being concerned together in stealing and receiving dresses, jumpers, shoes, gloves and a mackintosh, valued together at £18 17s. 6d. from a West End store.

Mr. Kenneth Marshall, the magistrate, said it was a serious matter when women put their hands together and went out and raided a shop. He did not think he would be doing his duty if he did not send them to prison. They would be remanded in custody, and he would consider what to do.

SOCIETY'S 70TH
BIRTHDAYAeronautics Before
Aeroplanes

AN UNBROKEN RECORD

The Royal Aeronautical Society—the oldest aeronautical institution in the world with an unbroken record—celebrated its 70th birthday on January 12.

The Society was founded in days when the sole exponents of aeronautics were balloonists. Its origin is traced to a suggestion by James Glaisher, the meteorologist and balloonist, that attempts be made to control a balloon by mechanical means.

First Meeting

The Duke of Argyll was the Society's first President, and he was a strong advocate of heavier-than-air flight, as opposed to what he called "the false principle of buoyancy." The Society's first meeting took place on June 27, 1866, when F. H. Wenham read a paper on "Aerial Locomotion."

In its recent history the most important event was the amalgamation in October, 1927, with the Institution of Aeronautical Engineers.

The President is Lieutenant-Colonel J. T. C. Moore-Brabazon, and the Secretary Captain J. Laurence Pritchard.

WEDDING AT PEAK
CHURCH

Sargent — Robertson

POLICE OFFICER MARRIED

The wedding took place at the Peak Church yesterday afternoon of Miss Elsie Nora Robertson, youngest daughter of Mrs. W. Robertson, of East Cowes, Isle of Wight, England, and Mr. William Thomas Sargent, of the Hong Kong Police, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sargent of Exeter, Devon.

The bride, who was given away in marriage by Cmdr. D. Orr Ewing, R.N., wore a white satin and lace dress and a long tulle veil held in place by a bandeau of orange blossom. She carried pink and white roses.

Bridesmaid in Green
Miss P. Colegrove as bridesmaid wore a green flowered silk dress with white hat and shoes and carried a bouquet of mixed sweet peas.

Mr. Shepherd was best man. The Rev. H. W. Baines officiated at the ceremony.

A reception was held at 106, The Peak. Later, the newlywed couple left for Macau. Mrs. Sargent wore a brown and white figured silk dress with brown swaggar coat and brown accessories.

PRINCESS ROYAL'S CAKE

A Christmas cake sent by the Princess Royal to Scarborough fishermen was cut at the local Seamen's Institution's annual dinner.

St. Teresa's Church

The following are the services, etc. for the forthcoming week at the St. Teresa's Church, Kowloon Tong.

To-morrow—St. Oswald, Bp. and C. (a 922) 3 p.m. Meeting of St. Teresa's Chinese Young Men at the Rectory for visit for the sick.

March—Dedicated to the decoration to St. Joseph.

Sunday—First Sunday in Lent—St. David, Patron of Wales (a 544 7.30 a.m. First Mass with sermon in English—General Communion for the Children of Mary.

8.30 a.m. Meeting of the Children of Mary at the Parochial Hall.

Sunday School for Mexican Boys, Maryknoll Convent, 9.30 a.m. Second Mass with sermon in English, followed by the Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Collections for the S.V.P. St. Teresa's Conference will be made before and after both Masses at the Church doors.

10.30 a.m. S.V.P. meeting. St. Teresa's Conference at the Parochial Hall.

2 p.m. Catechetical Instruction in Chinese followed by Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

8 p.m. Meeting of St. Teresa's



TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.L.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (845 K.C.s.)

4.7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
6.30 p.m.—Children's Studio Concert.

7.11 p.m.—European Programme.
7.30 p.m.—Selections from Musical Comedy by The New Mayfair.

8.05 p.m.—Words and Music (Coward) Rose Marie (Friml) Cassanova (J. Strauss)

7.30-7.50 p.m.—Cinema Organ Solos Film Hits of the Moment

8.15-8.30 p.m.—The B.B.C. Wireless Chorus.

Wine, Women and Song (J. Strauss) Morgenblätter (Morning Papers) (J. Strauss)

8.30-9.20 p.m.—A Relay from Daventry.

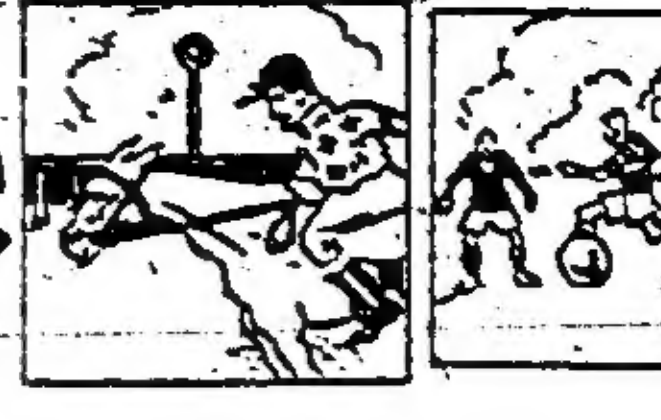
8.30 p.m.—The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.

9 p.m.—The Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuters).

9.20-9.30 p.m.—A Selection of English Melodies (arr. My



Sporting Page



SOUTH CHINA "A" TO BE AT FULL STRENGTH AGAINST RECREIO



F. E. Lawrence, above, one of the Liga Portuguesa's finest players, will be seen against the European Police in the Third Division to-morrow.

UNEXCITING JUNIOR LEAGUE SOCCER CARD

South China Greatly Strengthened

RIFLES BACK FROM CAMP

To-morrow's Second Division League soccer games are not likely to offer any exciting entertainment, except perhaps the clash between the Club and South China, but several even games should be witnessed on Sunday, especially that between the Rifles and the East Lanes.

The Navy, who are in a strong position for the Championship, will meet Kowloon and, with Spencer back in the team, and Wride, and Gould in their present form, should garner both points comfortably.

As the result of most of their senior players being fit, South China will have their usual team against the Club. Ho Chi-wing, their pivot, will have a busy afternoon marking Duncan, and even more so if Wilson, the Club newcomer, is playing. He feeds his centre very well, and his passing is always accurate.

Dangerous Forwards

Howlett, Darby and Hurst, of the Engineers, should prove too much for the Athletic defence and Slack hard to pass, though Chau Man-chi and Chan Yin-chong are both good shots when inside the goal area.

The East Lanes, will field a stronger team than last week, as Radcliffe and Mather, who were not eligible for the Junior Shield, will probably be turning out against the Rifles.

Fleming, Farrel and Boyd are the Rifles' best forwards, but the team has not played much football recently as they have been out at camp.

NEW TITLE FOR McGRATH

V. B. McGrath, of New South Wales, the Australian Davis Cup player, recently secured the New Zealand championship, which last year was won by F. J. Perry. In the final McGrath beat the New Zealand Davis Cup player and Cambridge Blue, E. D. Andrews, by 5-7, 10-8, 7-5, 6-0.



A. K. Omar, above, will be seen out for the Saints Junior to-morrow against the East Lanes in their Third Division clash.

THREE GOOD SENIOR DIVISION GAMES

S. CHINA "B" AND SAINTS TO CLASH

FUSILIERS AND RIFLES SHOULD WIN

A VERY interesting First Division League soccer programme will take place on Sunday when the Athletic meet the Rifles, the Navy encounter the Fusiliers, and the Saints, conquerors of the League champions, South China "A," last week, meet South China "B."

Playing on an away ground will have no effect on the Rifles, as they proved against South China "B" several weeks ago, and on their present form nothing should stop them from securing both points at the Athletic's expense.

The Navy and Fusilier clash should produce some sparkling football, as both team possess marksmen of high calibre. The Navy have been featured in some surprising lapses recently, displaying excellent form one week against a very good team and then failing the next against a weak side.



A. S. Bliss, above, will lead the Kowloon team against the East Lanes to-morrow in the First Division of the League.

KOWLOON AND EAST LANCS. TO CLASH

Kemp Injured And Roberts To Play

CIVILIANS FAVOURED

An evenly contested First Division League football encounter should be witnessed at Sookunpoo to-day when Kowloon meet the East Lanes.

Kowloon are making one change from last week's combination. Kemp, being on the injured list, is being given a rest, and Roberts, a very promising newcomer from the Royal Corps of Signals, who have no teams in the League, will be given a trial.

Good Halves

Roberts will be given a strenuous time at right-half, but, with Bliss and Boyd, should be able to stop the East Lanes' forwards from doing much damage.

The East Lanes, have no hopes of winning or of even being the runners-up in the First Division, but they can finish somewhere near the top of the table providing they win their remaining games.

CHINESE POLICE FALLING AWAY

THIRD DIVISION RACE

FUSILIERS CHALLENGED

Two good games will feature the Third Division soccer programme this week-end, when neither the Chinese Police nor the Fusiliers can afford to take things easily when they meet the Medicals and the Air Force respectively.

The Medicals have a good team and, with Castels playing in the pivot position, thus permitting Yond to play at forward, are capable of upsetting the Chinese Police. Wright is very safe in

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Lee Wai-tong, above, will make his first Senior League appearance for South China "A" to-morrow since his return from the recent Interport in Shanghai.



ROVER'S FORECAST

The following is the forecast for the week-end fixtures, giving the favoured team in capital letters:

TO-MORROW

FIRST DIVISION

S. CHINA "A" v. Recreation (Caroline Hill, 4.15 p.m.)

Scouters R.A. v. CLUB (Club, 3.30 p.m.)

EAST LANCS. v. Kowloon (Sookunpoo, 4.15 p.m.)

POLICE v. LYEMUN R.A. (Kowloon, 4.15 p.m.)

SECOND DIVISION

Recreation v. EASTERN (King's Park, 4.15 p.m.)

NAVY v. Kowloon (Causeway Bay, 2.45 p.m.)

South China v. CLUB (Caroline Hill, 2.45 p.m.)

ENGINEERS v. UNIVERSITY (Causeway Bay, 2.45 p.m.)

THIRD DIVISION

Medicals v. C. POLICE (Chatham Rd., 2.45 p.m.)

LIGA PORTUGUESA v. European Police (Kowloon, 2.45 p.m.)

ENGINEERS v. RIFLES (Sookunpoo, 2.45 p.m.)

Air Force v. FUSILIERS (Railway, 2.45 p.m.)

EAST LANCS. v. St. Joseph's (Prince Edward Rd., 2.45 p.m.)

SUNDAY

FIRST DIVISION

St. Joseph's v. S. CHINA "B" (Kowloon, 4.30 p.m.)

Athletic v. RIFLES (Caroline Hill, 3.00 p.m.)

Navy v. FUSILIERS (Causeway Bay, 4.30 p.m.)

SECOND DIVISION

Athletic v. ENGINEERS (Caroline Hill, 3.00 p.m.)

NAVY v. South China (Causeway Bay, 3.00 p.m.)

Rifles v. EAST LANCS. (Prince Edward Rd., 4.30 p.m.)

Radio v. R.A.O.C. & R.A.S.C. (Chatham Rd., 4.30 p.m.)

THIRD DIVISION

Rifles v. EAST LANCS. (Prince Edward Rd., 4.30 p.m.)

LEE WAI TONG BACK AS LEADER

RECREIO JUNIOR HALF PROMOTED

WONG WING DOUBTFUL STARTER

SOUTH China "A," the League champions, who are not likely to take any chance of losing another First Division match when they encounter the Recreio to-morrow at Caroline Hill, will be fielding their strongest team.

The Recreio, who are also fielding a fairly strong team, have promoted G. Fernandez to the right-half position, from their junior team. The latter, however, is not quite certain whether he can turn out. Should he fail to do so N. Delgado will be taken out of the attack to fill the vacancy in the half-back line, while H. Campos will be brought into the attack.

Following their debacle against St. Joseph's last week, which was more of a strategic lapse than anything else, the League champions will be fielding the forward line which in the earlier part of the season swept through the defences of all the First Division teams leaving devastation in their wake.

Wong Wing is the only uncertainty—he is taking some examinations in Canton. This encounter also marks the return of Lee Wai-tong, who has not played since the return of the Colony's triumphant Interport side from Shanghai.

Half-Backs' Responsibility
The Recreio inside-forwards will be compelled to fall back with their halves in this game if they are to stave off defeat.

Beltrao is, unfortunately, without much support in the intermediate line as V. Marques and Fernandez are not capable of holding the fast South China "A" wingers, but, with the inside-forwards, and possibly Bertie Gosano, as an extra roving half-back, the King's Park team may be able to break away on one of their characteristic attacks.

Two Fine Backs
The Recreio are lucky to have A. V. Gosano and Bowen as their two backs, and they should be able to deal with practically everything which comes their way. "A. V." is a headwork should prove invaluable as none of South China's forwards, with the exception of Tay, should prove dangerous in this department.

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MAMAK HOCKEY FIXTURE

Police To Meet K.L.T.C.

The following will represent the Police in their Mamak hockey fixture against the Kowloon Indians' Tennis Club on the Police Training School ground on Sunday at 3 p.m. sharp:

J. E. Jessop, C. Blackburn and J. E. Hayward; A. Tate, C. Gough and C. S. Parker; C. Pile, Willis, G. S. Wilson, D. Weiss and G. Moss. Reserves: Jackson, C. Downman and Billingham.

Another Mamak Tournament match will be witnessed on Sunday when the Royal Engineers meet St. Andrew's Club on the Marina ground at 3.30 p.m.



Forrow, the Club pivot, above, is playing so well at present that he is almost certain to secure an Interport trial next season.

CLUB TO MAKE MANY CHANGES IN THE TEAM

Wilson Promoted To Inside-Left?

PLAYING WITHOUT HILL

As a result of G. Hill's recent marriage, several changes will have to be made in the Club's first eleven to meet Stonecutters at Sookunpoo to-morrow, and it is almost certain that Wilson, who made a brilliant debut last Saturday for the juniors, will be brought into the attack.

Hill's absence will result in someone being dropped from the team, as it is hardly likely that Wilson, an inside-left, will be made to play full-back.

With little enough opposition to worry about, the Club should take this opportunity of experimenting, and it should do no harm to see Ernie Strange "rested" for a week and Bailton brought back into the defence to fill the gap caused by Hill's absence. Otherwise the team will probably remain unchanged.

Stonecutters Improve

Stonecutters, however, in spite of the poor form they have displayed throughout the season, are capable of good soccer at time and fully substantiated this last Saturday when they held the strong Athletic combination to a draw of two goals' all in their away encounter!

The Club provided one of the biggest disappointments of the season when they succumbed to the Police last Saturday in the Semi-Final Round of the Senior Shield by a solitary goal.

REMEDIOS BEATS XAVIER

Junior Billiards Championship

Only one game in the Colony Junior Billiards Championship was played last night, when A. V. Remedios defeated B. G. Xavier by 300 points to 235 at the Engineers' Institute.

The highest break, a 23, was recorded by Remedios, Xavier managing a 27.

No matches in the Senior Championship were played.



Selloek, above, one of the Sappers' finest Second Division players, will be seen in action against the Variety to-morrow.

Singleton Heads League Marksmen

The following is a complete list of goal-scorers in the First, Second and Third Divisions of the local Soccer League with a qualifying figure of six goals:

FIRST DIVISION	
Johnson (Police)	18
Higgins (Lincolns)	14
Lee Wai-tong (S. China "A")	14
Elliot (Club)	11
G. White (Kowloon)	11
Sanford (East Lanes)	11
Moss (Police)	10
Stevens (Police)	10
Sullivan (Fusiliers)	10
Fung King-chung (S. China "A")	10
Ip Pak-wa (S. China "A")	10
Cannell (Navy)	8
Leonard (St. Joseph's)	8
Baldry (Lincolns)	7
D. Knox (Kowloon)	7
Evans (Fusiliers)	7
Ridley (Lincolns)	7
Reece (Lyemun)	6
Forrow (Club)	6
SECOND DIVISION	
Dunfield (R.A.O.C. & R.A.S.C.)	16
Bumster (Fusiliers)	14
Wride (Navy)	14
Spencer (Navy)	14
Darby (Engineers)	11
Chan Tak-fai (South China)	11
Howlett (Engineers)	11
Clarke (R.A.O.C. & R.A.S.C.)	10
Evans (Fusiliers)	10
Crooks (Fusiliers)	10
Horner (East Lanes)	10
Cookley (Fusiliers)	10
Goula (Navy)	8
A. M. Omar (Radio)	7
Walkden (East Lanes)	7
Chan Ping-to (Eastern)	7
Cheng Shui-hong (Eastern)	7
Hurst (Engineers)	6
Bowling (East Lanes)	6
Turner (Lincolns)	6
THIRD DIVISION	
Blake (University)	16
English (Lincolns)	14
Vaughan (R.A.O.C. & R.A.S.C.)	14
Giffen (East Lanes)	14
McLeod (Navy)	11
Heddliff (East Lanes)	11
Tam (University)	10
Yong (University)	10
THIRD DIVISION	
Singleton (Fusiliers)	21
C. Santos (Liga)	13
Fynn (Medicals)	13
Tatler (Fusiliers)	13
King-cheong, Lee Wai-tong, Ip Pak-wa and Tay Quee-liang	11
Police: McHardy, Blackburn and C. Pile; North, Gough and Parker; Green, Stevens, Johnson, Brooks and Moss	7
Edgar: Conner, Coyle and Stevens; McConical, Campbell and Nelson; Killen, Doherty, Ferguson, Erwin and Hartigan	7
Recreation: Marques; A. V. Gosano and Bowen; V. Marques, Beltrao and G. Fernandez; Castilho; E. Gosano; Delgado, Gomes and Alves	6
Boale (Engineers)	6

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(By "Leighton")

London, February 15.

WHAT will, I think, turn out to be the dampest of damp squibs has been thrown by the U.S. Golf Association into the camp of those golfers who compel their caddies to carry an excessive number of clubs.

Mr. John Jackson, president of the association, warns golfers that unless the overloading of caddies can be curbed by public opinion it may be necessary to restrict the number of clubs competitors may carry.

Everything but the kitchen stove, it is stated, is loaded on the back of the poor caddie. "A club for every contingency and damn the caddie" is the slogan of the multi-weapon golfer.

HE HAS SWUM 1000 MILES IN 305 DAYS

Geoffrey Gillam For Canadian Marathon Race

Melbourne, January, 31. Geoffrey Gillam, the Australian swimmer, who hopes to establish a world record by swimming three miles or more a day for a year, has now completed 1000 miles. He started on April 1 last year, and has not missed a day for 305 days.

At one time it was thought he would have to abandon the swim after he had been knocked down by a cyclist. Despite an injured arm, however, he managed to swim the necessary three miles. If he succeeds in his attempt, he may be sent to the United States and Canada to take part in the big Marathon swimming contests there.

GOLF STARTING TIMES

Sunday's Pairings At Fanling

The following are the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club starting times for pairing next Sunday:

OLD COURSE

9.20 a.m. D. Hope Gill, K. W. Jones.

9.24 " O. E. C. Martin, E. Young.

9.28 " A. C. L. Bowker, Comdr. Hole.

9.32 " C. W. E. Bishop, P. C. Frost.

9.36 " J. McFarlane, P. L. Lee.

9.40 " D. S. Edwards, W. N. A. Smalley.

9.44 " A. E. Purves, T. B. Chasels.

9.48 " S. P. Langley, W. Sharp.

9.52 " C. W. Jeffries, N. H. Mundy.

9.56 " H. E. Stone, W. A. MacKintley.

10.00 " J. W. Mayhew, D. A. O'Keeffe.

10.04 " P. Morrison, T. Lindars.

10.08 " Col. Blake, O. J. Shannon.

10.12 " J. W. Lang, D. J. Keogh.

10.16 " W. Pittendrigh, J. Angwin.

10.20 " T. E. Rowell, G. H. Bond.

10.24 " R. A. Rodgers, H. E. Beddow.

10.28 " N. K. Littlejohn, J. Forbes.

10.32 " I. H. Geare, A. D. Humphreys.

10.36 " A. McKeller, W. W. C. Sheehan.

10.40 " Goldman, R. L. S. Webb.

10.44 " P. H. Scoones, F. C. B. Black.

10.48 " T. C. Monaghan, E. T. McMullen.

10.52 " L. B. Trevor, W. Paterson.

10.56 " R. J. Strigley, J. S. Dykes.

11.00 " W. L. Alexander, J. C. Finch.

11.04 " Surg. Lt. Cdr. Marks, Pay. Lt. Morant.

NEW COURSE

9.24 a.m. Mrs. Bishop, Miss Blake.

9.28 " Mrs. Smalley, Miss Curtin.

9.40 " Miss Stevenson, F. C. Mudge.

10.12 " Sir W. Shenton, E. A. Young.

11.04 " E. R. Childe, Comdr. Bridge.

HOPE GILL WINS BOGEY POOL

Key Runner-Up In Field Of 38

D. Hope Gill (12), with one up, won the Bogey (Par) Pool over the Old Course at Fanling during the past week.

Other scores were W. J. S. Key (9) all square; and H. E. Petrick (13), W. Woodward (15) and D. A. O'Keeffe (18) one down. There were 38 entries.

To limit the number of clubs that a player may employ strikes at the liberty of the individual, and neither American nor British golfers will be coerced.

What would constitute a reasonable limit? Probably 14 to 16 clubs. John Ball won eight championships with only six clubs.

It is significant, however, that all the present-day champions and experts carry more than thrice that number.

Lawson Little's Two Sets

Bobby Jones had 16 clubs when accomplishing his "Grand Slam" in 1930; while Lawson Little, the world's greatest amateur, carries 24, including two complete sets of woods in case one of the clubs happens to get broken.

Gene Sarazen's kit numbers 22, while Walter Hagen has 19. Most British professionals carry from 16 to 20 clubs, and declare that they would be at a loss with less than that number.

Here in Malaya one does occasionally see some very diminutive little caddie "wearily struggling round with a bag which no full grown man would care to carry round.

Champion's Romance

Lawson Little, who now wears the mantle of Bobby Jones as the world's greatest amateur golfer, is about to marry.

His bride is Miss Dorothy Hurd, of Chicago. This is one more romance of the links.

The two met in California, where Miss Hurd, an all-round sportswoman and no mean golfer, was spending a holiday. During the championship at Lytham and St. Annes last year Little received daily cables from his fiancée wishing him the best of luck.

"Those messages," said Little, "enabled me to come successfully through the greatest trial of my golfing career."

LEE WAI TONG BACK AS LEADER

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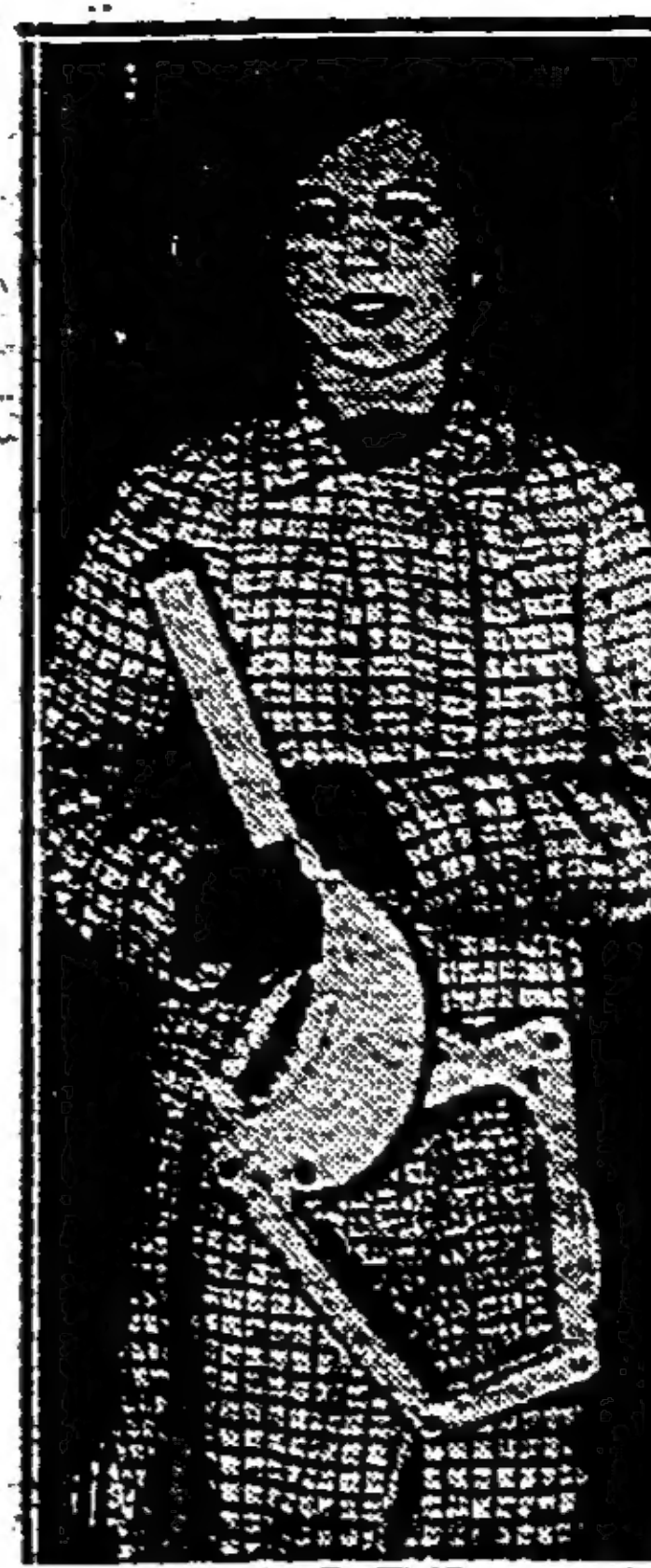
The game is likely to prove the best this month with two very fast attacks, including several deadly marksmen, on view.

Seven-A-Side Rugby Tournament At Valley

The annual Seven-a-side Rugby Tournament, organised by the Hong Kong Football Club in aid of Civilian, Navy and Army Charities, will be held next week.

There have been 16 entries, and it will be necessary to play four of the First Round Games next Monday, at 4.30 p.m. The other four First Round games will be played next Wednesday, at 4.30 p.m. To-morrow week the Second Round will commence at 3.00 p.m. There will be four Second Round games, two semi-finals and the final on that Saturday all the games being played on the Club ground, Happy Valley.

Entries have been received from the holders of the Blarney Stone Shield, the Hong Kong Football Club, who are entering two teams, the Royal Welch Fusiliers, who were in the final last year and who are entering three teams, the East Lancs, Royal Artillery, Royal Army Medical Corps, Royal Engineers, Royal Ulster Rifles, H.M.S. Tamar and Small Ships, H.M.S. Dorset.



Back to top form, Mrs. Helen Willis Moody appears in a practice match at New York but declines to say whether or not she will defend her Wimbledon tennis crown this year. She defeated Dave Feron, the professional, in an exhibition game.

COLONY BILLIARDS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Two Quarter-Final Matches

OSMUND TO MEET YAN AT K.C.C.

The Colony Billiards champion, A. J. Osmund, will be seen in action to-night at the Kowloon Cricket Club when he meets Yan Charn-ping in the quarter-final of the Colony Senior Billiards Championship.

Although it is generally expected that Osmund will win, he will find in Yan a cueist of no mean calibre and for that reason a really good game should result.

In one of the quarter-finals in the Juniors Section, A. Kitchell will meet F. P. Sequeira, at the Civil Service Cricket Club, when Sequeira is expected to win. Both these players have shown very consistent form throughout the tournament and, unless one of them breaks down badly, there should not be very much difference in the scores at the end of the game.

Quarter-Finals Completed

These two games will complete the quarter-finals in the two sections, and though there will not be any matches next week, the week commencing March 9 holds in store three games (the semi-finals and finals) which promise to be the best seen in the tournament.

These games will be played at the Club Lusitano, on a table specially erected for the occasion by kind courtesy of Messrs. Lane Crawford's.

THREE GOOD SENIOR DIVISION GAMES

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St. Joseph's are making one change from last week's victorious team, Ward, the captain, returning to his inside-right berth, while either Lee or Victor will fill the right-wing position.

FIRST GLIMPSES OF BOAT RACE CREWS

OXFORD'S OUTLOOK IS DISTINCTLY BRIGHT

CAMBRIDGE CREW "PROFICIENT IN TRICKS"

MUCH may happen between now and April 4, but it is always interesting to go up to Oxford and Cambridge to see the University eights when first they start Boat Race practice after Christmas.

The Presidents have now ten to twelve men from whom they must pick the final eight, which, though not necessarily the best eight oarsmen, should be the eight men who, each in his respective position, will form the strongest combination.

The Oxford President, B. J. Sciortino, has a crew which should prove to be more plastic in the hands of the coaches than any Oxford crew for some little time. A plethora of Blues, which is often somewhat of a mixed blessing, they have not got, and it therefore leaves the only other Blue, R. Hope, at stroke; an excellent place in which to have both experience and talent.

When I saw the crew last Saturday Hope certainly seemed to have a control over his men which few strokes have shown over a University crew so early in practice. Going over, as they were, the odd four-mile course it speaks a lot for his rhythm and stroking that the crew were able to whip the rate up from 28 to 38 per minute in three or four strokes without merely rushing and bucketing.

Able To Gallop

This capacity alone of this Oxford crew must give their coaches a degree of confidence that none can have had in recent years, when often they must have felt that during the instilling of "first principles" the racing capacity of the crew might be suffering considerably. It is so seldom that University crews are given gallops with other crews in the early stages of practice that it is good to see this one able to gallop on its own without an eight alongside to draw it out.

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CHINESE POLICE FALLING AWAY

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goal, while Snooks and Pym will probably give the opposing defence a trying time.

The Chinese Police, who are gradually falling behind in the race for honours, will have to win this game to keep in the running.

Airmen's Task

In the other game the Air Force will meet the Fusiliers. In Solis, Murray and Ewart, the Airmen have three good forwards.

The Fusiliers, who are at present leading in the League table, though being seriously challenged by the East Lancs, will no doubt be fielding their best team and, with Singleton and Tatler in the forward line, should win, though by only a small margin.

JOHNSON MAY NOT PLAY TO-MORROW

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Tommy Pile has recovered from his injury, but will not take his place on the right-wing yet, Green being retained.

Although they are at present running second to South China "A" in the First Division League table, the Police are by no means assured of concluding the season as runners-up—South China "B" team are only two points behind and have three games in hand!

CAPTAINS, PLEASE NOTE!

Most captains know how to reprove their teams but not so many know how to encourage them, which is more important. If the captain does reprove, he should avoid nagging or knocking the heart out of his side. The author of Ruggers Technique for Young Players.

18 GAMES FOR ELIOT HALL

'Sailors' And Soldiers' Home Twice Beaten

MEN'S BADMINTON LEAGUE

In order to bring their fixtures up to date, the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home were engaged in two Men's Doubles Badminton League matches last night at Eliot Hostel.

In their first match against Eliot Hall "B" the S. and S. Home were overwhelmed by 9 games to nil, and they suffered a similar fate when they took their stand against Eliot Hall seniors after completing the match with the juniors.

We are informed that the Fire Brigade cancelled their match with Eliot Hall "B" on Wednesday and conceded them the two points.

Detailed results of the two matches were as follows:—

S And S Home Swamped

At the Eliot Hostel last night, the Eliot Hall "B" defeated the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home by 9 games to nil:—

K. L. Yong and C. H. Ng (Eliot Hall "B")—
beat H. Harris and J. Heath 21-11
beat C. H. Hall and G. Merritt 21-2
beat W. Sprague and J. Brown 21-10

C. H. Soon and W. N. Cheung (Eliot Hall "B")—
beat Harris and Heath 21-8
beat Hall and Merritt 21-14
beat Sprague and Brown 21-11

B. K. Ng and J. K. Phang (Eliot Hall "B")—
beat Harris and Heath 21-9
beat Hall and Merritt 21-3
beat Sprague and Brown 21-7

Eliot "A" Clean Sweep

At the Eliot Hostel last night, the Eliot Hall "A" defeated the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home by 9 games to nil:—

B. C. Lee and B. K. Chan (Eliot Hall "A")—
beat H. Harris and J. Heath 21-0
beat C. H. Hall and G. Merritt 21-3
beat W. Sprague and J. Brown 21-0

C. O. Lee and C. S. Heng (Eliot Hall "A")—
beat Harris and Heath 21-5
beat Hall and Merritt 21-5
beat Sprague and Brown 21-1

K. L. Liew and J. L. Lee (Eliot Hall "A")—
beat Harris and Heath 21-9
beat Hall and Merritt 21-2
beat Sprague and Brown 21-6

LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE

	P.	W.	L.	F.A.	Pts.
Recreio "A"	14	11	3	30	36
Eliot Hall "B"	14	10	4	39	37
St. Andrew's "A"	12	9	3	71	36
Recreio "B"	10	8	2	58	32
Eliot Hall "A"	8	8	0	63	4
St. John's	14	7	7	63	14
Fire Brigade	15	7	3	54	73
V. R. C.	13	8	10	35	79
St. Andrew's "B"	13	2	11	20	78
S. and S. Home	14	1	13	22	34
Kowloon Tong	14	1	13	38	90

The Annual athletic meeting of the Central British School will be held on the School ground at King's Park next Saturday.

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Mass Marriage

One of the innovations, amongst many which may strike the average Westerner as reactionary, or even absurd, introduced by the New Life Movement in China, is the mass marriage. Starting in the capital, it spread to Shanghai and then to South China, eventually reaching Hong Kong, where, about a fortnight ago, 11 couples were united at once at the Chinese Y.M.C.A., a Member of the Legislative Council officiating. Few will be disposed to cavil at this institution of "mass marriage" when the intention behind it is considered.

Amongst all Eastern races, and formerly—even to some extent to-day—amongst Western peoples, two events in human existence, marriage and death, have been made occasions for special display. Birth, curiously enough, especially amongst the Chinese, with a solemn ancestor-worship still retains a strong hold on the mass of the people, has a much less important place. It is a common thing, amongst the peasantry of India, for a father to mortgage his future crops, often thus enslaving himself for the rest of his life, that he may give his daughter a magnificent marriage and thereby "acquire merit" in the eyes of his village neighbours. Death, however, is not a matter of equal importance.

Amongst Western peoples, public display at marriages has almost ceased and, with the growth of saner ideas, private expenditure has been greatly curtailed. Parents who can afford to do so preferring to present the young couple with a cheque on which to start housekeeping rather than expend the money on a huge and costly reception. Among the less-educated classes death holds a more important place than marriage and it is a common thing, especially in the East End of London, for men and women to skimp and stint and save for the greater part of their lives in order that they may have a grand funeral which will be talked of in the neighbourhood long after they are gone.

Amongst the Chinese marriage and death appear to be held in about equal estimation and both are made the occasion of ostentatious display. Scarcely a week passes without the appearance in the streets of Hong Kong, of a marriage or funeral procession that must have cost many thousands of dollars, which in many cases must come as an almost crippling charge upon the relatives of the happy couple or the deceased, as the case may be. There is still far too much ostentation, too much public display merely pour epater les bourgeois. Only a short time ago we had the spectacle of the entire furnishings of a house, complete even down to supplies of comestibles, a wedding gift to a newly-married pair, carried in solemn procession through the streets of the city.

It is to save the, not-so-wealthy—from such extravagances that the sponsors of the New Life Movement have introduced the mass marriage; and they have taken advantage of a facet of human psychology in doing so. It is a matter of common knowledge that a man will shrink from doing by himself what he will readily do in company with others. Many

EXPLANATION OF TO-DAY'S CARTOON

The American Inventor Of The Wireless

DR. MAHLON Loomis (1826-1896), dentist and pioneer in wireless photography, inventor and discoverer of the system of sending electric signals to a distance, without wires. He carried his first two-way "wireless" communication between two mountain peaks in Virginia 18 miles apart in 1863, six years before Marconi was even born. The utilisation of his invention met with a series of severe hard luck. He enlisted powerful financial backing in 1869, but lost it in the financial panic of the Black Friday of that year. Chicago financial backing, enlisted two years later, was cancelled through the great Chicago Fire of 1871. Two years later, Congress and the Senate both passed bills (1873) in his favour, but failed to make any material appropriations. He finally died heartbroken by a renewed failure in 1886. Nine years after his death, Marconi picked up where Loomis had left off through a series of misadventures.

22-Foot Maize

The best tall corn record that has yet come to my attention is the crop grown by S. D. Cornell of Grandview, Washington, in 1924. An acre of his crop was carefully measured off, and found to contain 98 rows, 18 inches apart and each one 275 feet long. On this acre he grew 62,700 pounds of corn—actual weight after harvest. Nearly all the stalks were over 20 feet tall, and some of them measured 22 feet—so tall that a six foot man couldn't reach the first ear on the stalk.

FRENCH CONSULAR RECEPTION

Admiral Esteva Honoured

BRILLIANT FUNCTION

The reception given at the French consular residence last night to Vice-Admiral Esteva, Commander-in-Chief of the French squadron in Eastern waters, was a brilliant and memorable occasion. The uniforms of the officers and the beautiful dresses of the ladies combining to form a colourful picture.

A buffet supper was served on the ground floor, where dancing was also enjoyed to the strains of the band of the French flagship Lamotte-Piquet. On the first floor guests were provided with card tables.

Among those present were Captain Leloup, Captain Bastard, Commander of the Lamotte-Piquet; Commander de la Ferte, Air Attache of the French Legation; Commander de Bavens, Commander of the French gunboat Argus; Mr. J. H. B. Lee, Private Secretary, representing His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott; Commodore and Mrs. C. G. Sedgwick, R.N.; Brigadier H. G. Seth-Smith; Sir Elly Kadoorie; and many of the leading French residents of the Colony, including M. Montargis, M. de Roux and M. Jussier.

Among others invited were all members of the Executive and Legislative Councils, all members of the Consular Body, and all Captains of British warships in port.

NO ENGLISH

Three jurymen at the Caernarvonshire, North Wales, Quarter Sessions could neither read nor understand English.

A young man contemplating marriage will hesitate before he definitely commits himself or his parents to the expense involved in the preliminary display which "face" demands; but he will welcome the chance given him by this "mass marriage" institution, where he is kept in countenance by others of like mind with himself.

Old customs die hard in the East; but in mass marriage there is the beginning of a saner and sounder view of the things that are necessary and unnecessary.

Here There and Everywhere

TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP

Table tennis is now so seriously taken that to call it ping-pong would be like calling baseball rounders. Crowds were attracted by the annual championship which was played in London last month.

The game was invented by British officers in South Africa at the end of the last century, and existed for a time as a mild indoor amusement. Now clubs affiliated to the English Table Tennis Association have a membership of well over 30,000.

Victor, Barna, a young Hungarian, who holds the world championship, succeeded Perry, the present lawn tennis champion, and makes his living out of the game. The International Table Tennis Association does not worry about amateur and professional status.

A "BODY-LINE" CONTROVERSY

The table tennis equivalent to body-line bowling is knuckle-spin service, about which a controversy has arisen. The ball is squeezed through the fingers of the left hand before it hits the bat. This makes its movements unexpected. There is a strong body of opinion in favour of barring knuckle-spin.

In the absence of such tricks rallies sometimes go on for a prodigious time. In last year's championship one lasted for 20 minutes, the ball crossing the net 1,600 times.

Your Daily Smile!

Sympathy

An elephant's tooth weighs about twelve pounds. Only a giraffe with a sore throat can appreciate the suffering of an elephant with the toothache.

As Usual

A new novel is entitled, "The Perfect Husband." The publishers, of course, point out that no reference to any living person is intended.

Director of lineal firm to prospective traveller: "You will be expected to cover the whole of South China. Have you had any previous experience?"

"Well, sir, the biggest job I have tackled was covering bungalow floors."

In Luck

The only women nowadays who have perfectly good husbands are the widows.

WHAT OF THE FUTURE IN ABYSSINIA?

POSSIBLE RESULTS OF ITALIAN CAMPAIGN

EFFECTS ON AFRICAN PEOPLES IN OTHER PARTS OF CONTINENT

(By Major H. Range, O.B.E., M.C.)

MANY races live within and are subject to the Abyssinian Empire; but the three most important are the comparatively civilised Shoa, Amhara and Tigre. These are the aristocrats, the rulers, collectively known to the subject races as the "Abash," or the Abyssinians. They still cling to an ancient form of civilisation and have a written language and a crude form of culture all their own.

The Abyssinians are Christians. Their first ecclesiastical leader, the Bishop of Ethiopia, was appointed by the Coptic Patriarch of Alexandria more than 1,600 years ago: excepting for a period during the sixteenth and early seventeenth centuries, when the Ethiopian Church came under the influence of Rome, the appointment has ever since been filled from Egypt.

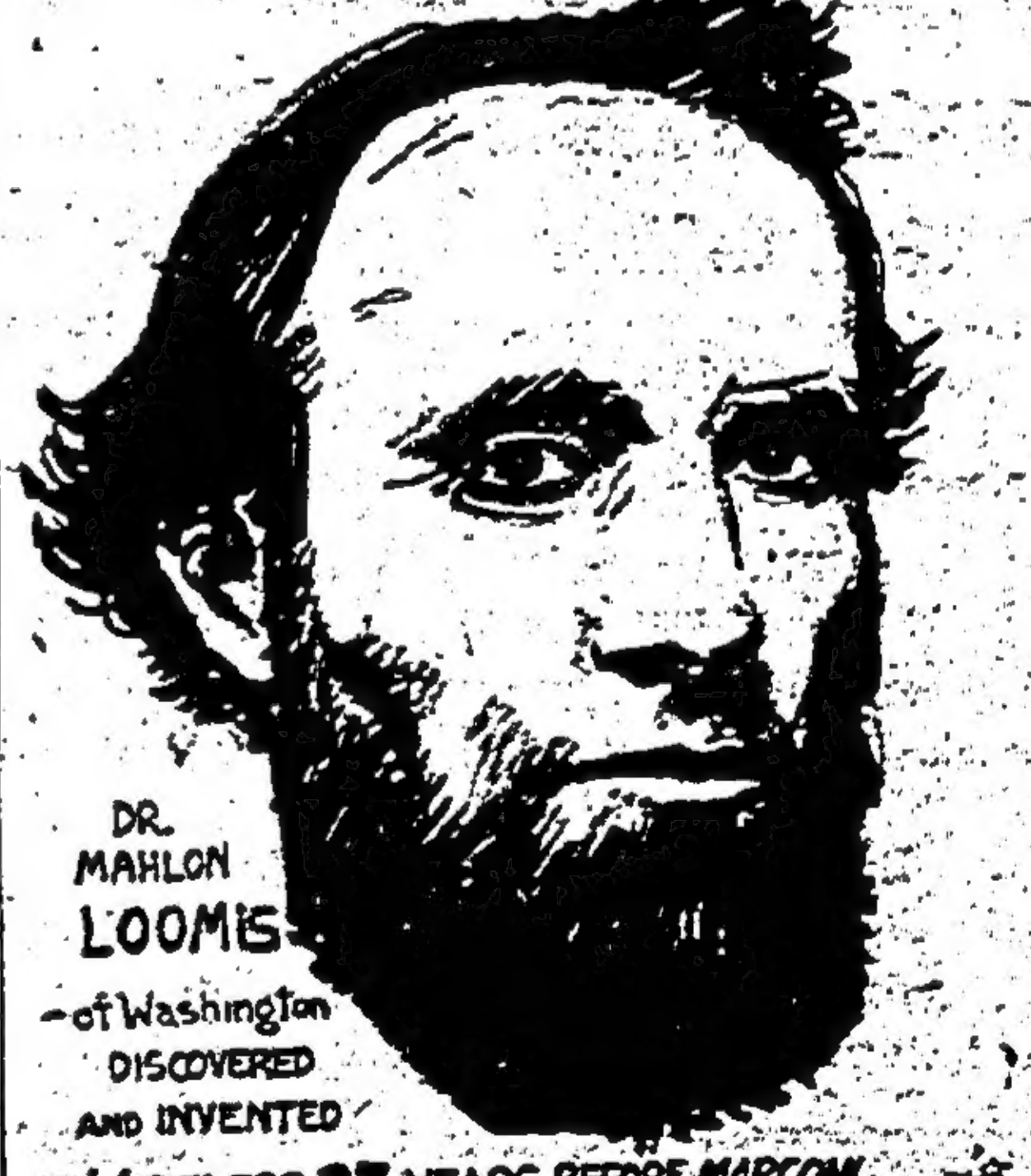
Once upon a time the Abyssinians were recognised as a great people who possessed a degree of civilisation quite up to the highest standards of that period. Then something happened; drought, famine and invasion, we can justly surmise, cut them off completely from the outside world; excepting for a few isolated incidents, they did not reappear therein in any important role until Menelik at their head, threw back the Italian invaders at the battle of Adowa.

Only Recently That was only 39 years ago; for centuries before, with weapons in their hands in no sense or way superior to their adversaries, they had preserved their existence, their independence, their religion, and what they could of their civilisation, against a sea of Mohammedans and pagans bent on the annihilation of all.

After Adowa their country was flooded with arms of pre-

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"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley



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Ronald Colman plays his most romantic role in "The Man Who Broke the Bank at Monte Carlo," which will be screened at the King's and Alhambra Theatres soon.

Short Shots

ALLAN JONES (who will be re-membered in "A Night at the Opera") seems destined for big things now that Universal have cast him as "Ravenal" in "The Show Boat" with Irene Dunne, Paul Robeson and Helen Morgan. He will play the leading role in the M.G.M. production of "The Student Prince" (can't help wishing Nelson Eddy had been given this).

Universal look like having a winner in "The Magnificent Obsession," which gives a wonderful chance at drama to handsome Robert Taylor and is one of Irene Dunne's best.

It is surprising news that Jessie Matthews will not be going this year to Hollywood, principal reason being she is dissatisfied with story, and would also have to share stellar honours with other artists, while in England she is the star in her lone right.

"Mutiny on the Bounty" has broken all records in London for enormous crowds and success.

Bing Crosby will make one film away from Paramount, Columbia



Miriam Hopkins and Edward G. Robinson are in the Samuel Goldwyn production, "The Barbary Coast," which will be shown at the King's Theatre on Sunday.

have signed him for "Pennies from Heaven."

Charlie Chaplin's film "Modern Times" has had six scenes deleted by the Censor, Mr. Will Hays.

Grace Moore's new film will be entitled "Poor Sister."

Sylvia Sydney is suing for divorce from her husband, Bennett Cort, a New York publisher. They were married about four months ago.

There has been so much gossip about the friendship between attractive Margaret Lindsay and the ex-husband of the late Thelma Todd that Miss Lindsay has had a nervous breakdown through the strict cross-examination she underwent at the inquest.

Cupid is busy these days in Hollywood. Looks very serious between Jean Blondell and Dick Powell, Jean Muir with Richard Watts (a newspaper critic), and Kay Francis and Delmar Daves (a Warner scenarist).

After seeing the first "rushes" of "Captain Blood," starring the new Irish actor Errol Flynn, Warner Bros. decided he must star in "The Charge of the Light Brigade." Flynn is married to Lili Damita.

Looks as though Jean Crawford and Milton Webb (dancer from Broadway) will not appear together and, instead, M.G.M. will put Clark Gable again with the lovely star in "The Lady Comes to Town" or perhaps she will make "The Gorgeous Hussy," intended for Harlow.

It is nine months since Robert Montgomery made a picture, due to some trouble at the studio with the famous star objecting to his roles. All settled amicably now and Robert starts with Myrna Loy in "Petticoat Fever."

The newest song "rave," "The Music Goes Round and Round," is breaking the long-held record of "Yes, We Have No Bananas," and the three composers are now in Hollywood, to appear in the new Harry Richman film "Rolling Along."

James Stewart, the leading man from Broadway who is making his first film with Margaret Sullivan, "Next Time We Love," looks like being the new screen sensation.

Admirers of Elizabeth Bergner are promised one of her most brilliant characterizations in her screen version of "As You Like It." Mr. Thalberg has suggested it as Miss Norma Shearer's role after she has finished "Romeo and Juliet," but I hardly think M.G.M. would all Shakespearean rights. — DIANE

SENSATIONAL SCREEN DEBUT IN "ROSE OF THE RANCHO"

ALINE MACMAHON'S GREAT ACTING IN CROOK DRAMA "KIND LADY"

MIRIAM HOPKINS AND EDWARD G. ROBINSON SHINE IN "BARBARY COAST"

By Diane

"She Couldn't Take It"

I RECALL seeing in 1912 in New York David Belasco's famous stage play "Rose of the Rancho," which has been made into a suitable vehicle for the screen debut of the latest recruit from the New York Metropolitan Opera House—lovely contralto Gladys Swarthout.

The story is a simple one and does not lend itself to the grand finale of heroine making her operatic debut at the premier Opera House. Instead, we have delightful and original songs by Leo Robin and Ralph Rainger which are of the popular variety, and likely to be hummed and danced to everywhere.

The scenes are laid in California in the early nineteenth century, when most of the noble Spanish families were endeavouring to hold on to their property against the "land-grabbers" and the hordes of rough men in search of gold. A courageous band under the leadership of a mysterious "Don Carlos" (Gladys Swarthout) defies and ultimately captures a notorious desperado, "Joe Kincaid" (Charles Bickford), and are about to hang him when he is saved by a secret agent from Washington, "Jim Kearney" (John Boles).

From this part on you can go to the Queen's to see the ultimate finish, and you will also have the joy of hearing one of the most beautiful voices outside the doors of the world's best opera houses. In the dual roles of "Don Carlos" and heroine "Rosita Castro" the star is given every opportunity to shine both as actress and singer. Into the bargain she is an ideally lovely American girl (of Dutch descent) and in her first picture proves she can hold her own with the other brilliant singers—Jeanette MacDonald, Lily Pons and Grace Moore.

Mr. John Boles can hardly be compared vocally with Miss Swarthout and, as in "The Littlest Rebel," handsome Mr. Boles is concentrating too much on camera angles. Nevertheless he helps in the success, as does that reliable villain Charles Bickford—ad actor who cannot fail to turn in a fine performance.

Humour of a vaudeville pattern type is supplied by Willie Howard as a Jewish gold prospector and Herb Williams as an insurance agent. Under the able direction of Marion Gering a large cast, consisting of H. B. Warner, Don Alvarado, Grace Bradley, Charlotte Granville, Harry Woods, Paul Harvey and others, contribute to the brightness and enjoyment of one of the season's most talked-of films. (Queen's).

"Barbary Coast"

Another story of San Francisco in the Gold-rush days, which in dramatic fashion tells how beggars struck it lucky and became millionaires in a day, and at night spent fortunes in saloons and gambling dens along the famous water-front.

Miriam Hopkins plays the part of "Swan," one of the few lovely things in an atmosphere of sordid pleasure. Sam Goldwyn has had this picture in mind for years, but first of all there was so much objection to the story, and then he had trouble in casting the heroine. In Miriam Hopkins Mr. Goldwyn has one of his best bets.

I need not go into the plot, as the same sort of thing has been seen so often—mushroom towns, muddy streets, fog, shanty buildings, all making a fitting setting for the money-lust, passion, romance and crime that goes with it. The best character acting is naturally contributed by that sterling player Edward G. Robinson. Joel McCrea as the prospector who wins the girl's heart is likeable.

Walter Brennan, Frank Craven and the newcomer Brian Denlevy (watch this boy) all add to the thrills and excitement. Miriam Hopkins could not give anything but an intelligent performance, even in a sordid drama like this. Worth seeing for production and specially outstanding work from the three principals. (King's).

Joan Bennett is the girl and George Raft the woman-tamer who makes her "take it and like it." Something new in plots too, as it seems that Mr. Raft finds himself, through various peculiar circumstances, at the head of a family with the delightfully fluttery, fluffy-brained Billie Burke at the head of it—the sort of woman who thinks anything common should be ignored, including sense. Her daughter Joan thinks the same. When you know that Mr. Raft, formerly of the rum-running industry and Public Enemy No. 1, has to do the taming, you know what to expect.

I do not think George Raft has ever given a better performance, with the exception of "Night After Night" and lovely Joan Bennett surprises and delights. The other outstanding performances come from Walter Connolly, James Blakeley, Wallace Ford, Alan Mowbray and Lloyd Nolan. This picture, with the "Taming of the Shrew" theme against society and underworld settings, is a diverting blend of comedy, thrills, and thoroughly efficient acting. Not to be missed. (King's)

"Perfect Gentleman"

Cicely Courtneidge, sporting a new style in hairdressing designed at the M.G.M. Studio, shares stellar honours with the highly



Pat O'Brien and Olivia de Havilland are in the Warner Bros. production, "The Irish in Us," which will be shown at the Queen's Theatre soon.

popular Frank Morgan in a slight, foolish affair about a poverty-stricken ex-Army officer and a music-hall idol. Unfortunately the delightful blundering hero has a preacher son (Richard Waring) and the more popular the father becomes with the actress, the more unpopular he becomes with the son.

Richard Waring is already known on the Broadway stage, but this is his first screen appearance. His role limits his chances, but he shows promise. Heather Angel fulfils the ingenue role adequately, while Herbert Mundin, Henry Stephenson, Una O'Connor, Mary Forbes, Forrester Harvey and a few more of the British colony in Hollywood help Miss Courtneidge and Mr. Morgan in a first-class entertainment. Cosmo Hamilton's story, under the direction of Tim Whelan, gives Miss Courtneidge ample scope to submit her best portrayals on the screen, namely some songs in a swaggy uniform, and endless opportunities for her special brand of humour.

In his way Frank Morgan is in a class by himself, and as the "Perfect Gentleman" he equals his previous, top-notch performances in "Cellini," "Good Fairy," "I Live My Life," and many more. Miss Courtneidge has now returned to London, but she has reason to be satisfied with cast, story and production given in her first Hollywood venture. (Alhambra).

WE had a glimpse of that excellent actress Aline MacMahon in Joan Crawford's recent picture "I Live My Life." Now in "Kind Lady," a British crook melodrama she is the whole show and like the grand trouper she takes all her chances with both hands. This is one particular point I have always admired in Miss MacMahon. No matter how subservient or how important the role, she gives of her best.

Let us review some of her outstanding successes. First that satire on the film colony, "Once in a Lifetime," then later the poignant drama "One-way Passage," with William Powell and Kay Francis; later to "Gold-diggers of 1933" and from that to the suffering wife in "Silver Dollar."

I could list numbers more down to her latest, "Ah, Wilderness," with Lionel Barrymore, before she left on a quick tour round the world with her architect husband.

Aline MacMahon is half Irish and half Jewish and was born in McKeesport, Pennsylvania, in May 1899. After her short vacation she returns to M.G.M., as her type is rare, and she cannot be spared for long, not even to return to her first love, the stage.

In "Kind Lady" we have a story that works up plenty of suspense and is based on a kidnapping-in-the-home idea, where kind Aline MacMahon regrets her kindness to hungry Basil Rathbone when he brings his gang to imprison her while he tries to sell her valuable paintings. Besides the two leads, who do excellent work, we have Mary Carlisle, Frank Albertson, Dudley Digges, Doris Lloyd, Frank Reicher, Murray Kinnell and others who help considerably towards the general enjoyment and thrills. Advised. (Alhambra).

"Whipsaw"

It is grand to see Spencer Tracy enjoying himself once more; and M.G.M. appear to have the knack in choosing just his right type of story. Now we have him with the delightful, lovely Myrna Loy, the little girl who cannot be done without—as she proved when she ran away.

The story tells how hero Tracy, a Federal Agent, "keeps tabs" on a girl, and naturally (being as attractive as Miss Loy) he falls in love. She has some valuable pearls in the handle of her mirror in her dressing-case, which have been planted by another gang of thieves. This means adventures in London, New York, Pittsburgh, St. Louis and New Orleans before a happy ending in a farmhouse.

No more, need be said, but it is exciting and well acted by a fine supporting cast, under the direction of Sam Wood. It is unwise to miss seeing any picture in which this delightful team appear. (Alhambra).

"Ship Cafe"

One of those misunderstanding love stories, starring Danish actor-singer Carl Brisson, with Viennese Mady Christians and American Aline Judge forming the eternal triangle. We are accustomed to seeing smiling, popular Mr. Brisson in immaculate clothes or uniforms, so he seems a little out of place in a stokehold and later on as "bouncer" in a cafe. Everything is all right, though, when hero has a "break" as a singer and makes a hit. Then he falls in love with the pretty dancer (Aline Judge), is misunderstood by her because of his association with a foreign Countess, but ultimately finds the happiness we all desire.

This Paramount picture is elaborately mounted and no expense has been spared to surround the star with pretty girls and a capable cast. Inez Courtney is a promising young lady built on worldly-wise cracking lines, and Eddie Davis, William Frawley, Grant Withers and Harry Woods are competent. Admirers of Carl (Continued on Page 12)

TO-MORROW AT THE KING'S



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Joe E. Brown and Olivia de Havilland are in the Warner Bros. production, "Alibi Ike," which is coming to the Queen's Theatre soon.



Edward Everett Horton plays the role of a simple dove who turns into an eagle in "Your Uncle Dudley," which will be screened at the King's Theatre soon.

ALHAMBRA

— TO-MORROW —



The Tramway's Grievance

(Continued from Page 1)

had permitted the China Motor Bus Company to introduce second class fares on routes competing with tramcars, namely, routes Nos. 1 and 5. Not only were your Directors not consulted as to the probable effect of such concessions but your Company was not informed that any such action was even contemplated.

"It was through the medium of the Chinese newspaper *Wah Kiu Yat Po* on March 1 that the announcement appeared. Strong representations were then made by your Company, culminating in the appearance of the then Chairman (Mr. A. B. Stewart) and the General Manager before the Executive Council at its meeting on March 28.

"At this meeting it transpired that not only were second class bus fares on competitive routes to be introduced but that certain route extensions, for which the Motor Bus Company also applied, had been granted, these concessions to our competitors being effective as from April 1.

"One of the extensions relates to the No. 1 Happy Valley Route which hitherto terminated at Blake Pier, but which now extends for a further mile to Eastern Street and where it is not actually along the tramway track is within 75 yards of it.

MEMORIAL DESPATCHED
"Your Directors then decided that they must appeal to the Secretary of State for the Colonies. Consequently a Memorial was prepared and sent in to the Hong Kong Government, for despatch by them to London, in May last.

"This Memorial was of a comprehensive nature and dealt with your Company's affairs as far back as 1925, when we were informed by the Government—in response to our application for authority to commence a trolley bus or motor bus service along the (No. 5) Queen's Road route—that neither could be approved, the streets being too narrow for such vehicles. The principal points in the Memorial, however, dealt with the question of second class motor bus fares which had been introduced only on routes Nos. 1 and 5, that is to say, the routes which compete most intensively with the tramway services. It is significant that on the University Routes (Nos. 3 and 4) no second class fares were introduced.

"Prior to the Government calling for tenders for a motor bus franchise it was laid down that bus fares (this applied to the Hong Kong Hotel Company's buses and to the buses operated by our own Company) must not be less than the first class tram fare. When in 1932 tenders for the exclusive bus franchise were invited there was no suggestion that this policy of leaving the second class passengers to the trams was to be departed from and it was strongly contended that what had occurred constituted a grave departure, generally from the spirit and intention of the conditions of tender and, particularly, that the institution of second class fares on routes Nos. 1 and 5 was in conflict with those conditions.

TENDER NOT ACCEPTED
"As pointed out in the speech from this chair two years ago our tender was not accepted, the China Motor Bus Company having offered Government a higher tender than your Company found it economically possible to put forward—under the conditions laid down.

"I regret to report, however, that on November 22 last a letter was received from the Hong Kong Government to the effect that the Secretary of State, for the Colonies had given our Petition careful consideration but that he failed to see any ground on which he would be justified in interfering with the discretion of the Hong Kong Government regarding the matters which were the subject of the Petition.

"In our Petition we asked, inter alia, that the Secretary of State might be pleased

to refer to the Ministry of Transport, matters of transportation principle arising out of this Memorial for report regarding the treatment of which your petitioner (as providers of efficient, public passenger transport services) in the Colony for the past 31 years) complains since the year 1928; and in particular, with regard to the recent injury which your Petitioner complains of having suffered vis-a-vis the present Motor

Bus license by the Hong Kong Government's action in permitting reduction of bus fares on routes competing with your Petitioner to a level equal to the lowest tram fare.

SPEECH QUOTED

"There is nothing to indicate that the question was ever referred to the Ministry of Transport. In a recent speech the Permanent Secretary of that Ministry—Sir Cyril Hurcomb, K.B.E.—said:—
(One of the most difficult questions which has arisen in connection with the licensing of road passenger services is the extent to which an efficient road transport undertaking providing adequate local services, whether municipally or privately owned, is entitled in the public interest to protection from the competition of other undertakings, whose justification is the provision of longer-distance through services, and the form which that protection should take.

The question of competition between public service vehicles and trams, and the trams, is a question of considerable length in paragraph 21 of the First Interim Report of the Departmental Committee on the Licensing and Regulation of Public Service Vehicles. It is there pointed out that tramway undertakings, whether municipally or privately owned, are subject to statutory liabilities, such as the maintenance of part of the highway on which they run and also that tramway and trackless trolley undertakings have sunk heavy capital expenditure in track, electrical equipment and other plant, and are unable to transfer their services to other routes. The Committee reached the conclusion, which was generally accepted, that so long as such undertakings are providing adequate and efficient services, they are in principle entitled to some measure of protection, so far as their strictly local traffic is concerned, from the competition of public service vehicles conveying passengers stage by stage between points served by the trams and trackless vehicles."

"Sir Cyril Hurcomb then proceeded to deal with what is known as the Leicester case. Briefly this was a Ministry of Transport order which forbade motor buses other than those owned by the Leicester Corporation to pick up and set down the same passenger on such portion of the route as lay within 440 yards of the Leicester tramway track.

GOVERNMENT APPROACHED
"Your Board has now approached the Hong Kong Government enquiring whether it is the Government's intention to grant protection to your Company such as is outlined by the Permanent Secretary to the Ministry of Transport, and at the same time asking whether His Excellency, the Governor will be good enough, to cause to be sent out on a visit to the Colony a senior official of that Ministry. This official would make a report and recommendations to the Government which could safely be regarded as unbiased and in accordance with the practice of the British Traffic Commissioners who are charged under the Road Traffic Act of 1930 with the duty of issuing road service licences and fixing fares etc.

"Observe what was said by the Right Hon. Herbert Morrison, P.C., M.P., (Minister of Transport 1929-1931) the originator of the London Passenger Transport Act, in a speech in 1930 when referring to the Road Traffic Act of that year:—
In his judgment the two most important parts of the Road Traffic Act were those dealing with the regulation of public service vehicles, and the Municipal Tramways and Transport Association. They should be clear as to what were the elements of the economic of transport. There must be sufficient transport to meet the requirements of industry and the reasonable requirements of the years ahead. There must be elasticity in the means of transport which would meet temporary expansions and contractions of demand. Transport must be efficient, transport, and, if it was to be efficient, it must be guaranteed reasonable security within the transport system. The system must meet the problem of the peak load of demand for transport. In the nineteenth century they were told that free competition was the great thing, that it would provide cheapness and efficiency. It was to, the credit of Socialist propaganda that there was practically no business man of repute who to-day would say that that was a sound commercial doctrine. Competition in road transport meant that time-tables were unrelated and that there was lack of contact between different forms of transport, which meant empty seats. People appreciated empty seats, but these were the economic not of wisdom but of peddlers. The empty seat had to be paid for either by capital, in the shape of 'bad' services, 'bad' vehicles, and bankruptcy, or by the passengers in needlessly high fares for those who did travel, uncomfortable and

unsafe vehicles, inefficient services, and a poor quality of transport worker. Finally, this competition between capitalists meant for the transport worker low wages, long hours, and the mental discomfort of being mixed up with a mis-managed enterprise.
Proceeding, Mr. Morrison said he wished people to travel by rail or road as they liked, but there could not be reckless duplication of means of transport, which in the end would mean disaster for everybody concerned.

THE ACCOUNTS

"Turning now to the Accounts before the meeting I must first of all remark this as the first occasion that complete information of the Working Account position has not been included in presenting the annual statement of accounts. In the existing conditions of direct and intense motor-bus competition your Directors regretfully advise the undesirability of continuing our former practice of publishing full particulars of operating detail. Whilst in other respects retaining as far as possible their customary form, the present accounts in this particular are accordingly modified to conform merely with requirements of the Companies Ordinances.

"The inclusive profit for the year 1935 was \$744,813.58, being over \$200,000 less than in 1934, and when I state that on the expense side figures compare favourably the serious nature of the decline in traffic receipts will be appreciated.

"An apparent falling off under the Investment and Sundry revenue head is largely explained by the amount taken into the previous year in respect of forfeited dividends.

"Depreciation has been charged according to the usual scale. "The customary amount has been written-off Goodwill etc. and in the present state of affairs I am sure the increased transfer of \$150,000 strengthening your General Reserve position will be also approved.

"You will have remarked the Balance Sheet marshalled in a revised manner more in line with modern accountancy practice but shown with a minimum of departure from the usual form, and I think with no loss of intelligibility.

CAPITAL ASSETS

"Concerning the written-down figure at which fixed assets appear on the books I wish shareholders to be informed that at cost, plus additions less depreciation, these capital assets are nearer \$7,000,000—the actual figure, in fact, is \$6,927,814. The difference is accounted for in extraordinary amounts written-off during the history of your undertaking. Had this not been so done the continuing development and expansion of the Tramway must have necessitated calls upon shareholders from time to time. A conservative policy of internal finance followed out by your Board in the past has however served to dispense with additional capital demands, and the reason I am now stressing the point is that an informed view appears to be held that the Company returns a high rate of yield on the capital invested. The answer is that upon an actual capital of \$7,000,000, represented in these assets alone, the dividend for the year in review earned from traffic revenues is, in fact, one of 6.26 per cent, and, similarly, dividends paid over the past five years represent an average of 9.28 per cent.

"I have a last reference to the Balance Sheet to make in regard to the heading Investments. You will observe from the note of December 31 prices a market depreciation of 14 per cent. These investments, entered into with the primary objective of ensuring supplementary revenues, consist of first class dividend bearing stocks, and temporary market fluctuations need occasion little uneasiness. In fact, I am pleased to tell you that, based upon current quotations, the overall difference under-cost has narrowed to 12 per cent.

"An Interim Dividend, amounting to \$250,000, was paid in August last, and a final dividend of the same amount, making 80 cents per share for the year 1935 is now recommended, leaving a balance of \$118,534.42 to be carried forward.

"I now propose the resolution:—
"That the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1935, as presented, be adopted, and that a Final Dividend



President de Valera, above, has again expressed his willingness to submit the land annuities dispute with Great Britain to a tribunal without restriction.

DIAMOND RING STOLEN MARRIED WOMAN ADMITS GUILT BENEFACTOR ROBBED

Li Chuen, a married woman, was this morning charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy, with the theft of a diamond ring valued at \$300 from Wong Po-chung, married woman, at No. 273 Lockhart Road, second floor, on Tuesday.

Defendant pleaded guilty and was remanded in police custody for three days to enable the ring to be recovered.

Detective-Sergeant Fitches said that the complainant and defendant had known each other for many years, and the complainant was in better circumstances. Defendant often visited her and borrowed small sums of money which were never repaid, but complainant did not mind that. On the day in question defendant visited complainant and asked for a loan, but as she did not have any money she gave her a meal, and later went to sleep. When she awoke she found the defendant gone and also the diamond ring which was on her table.

Complainant suspected the defendant and went over to her place in Kowloon, where she admitted the theft. Taken to No. 2 Police Station, defendant confessed and said she had given the ring to her mother, who wanted to return it to Canton and who had pawned it for \$10, hoping to redeem it later to return it to complainant. Enquiries failed to locate the mother, and defendant then said she had pawned it herself, but could not tell the Police which pawnshop she had dealt with. Later she changed her story once again, saying she had given it to a man in Kowloon City. On the way to find this man the defendant jumped from the ferry, but was rescued.

OVERSTAYED HIS PERMIT Italian Film Man's Plea To Magistrate

After the Bow-street magistrate had recommended Gian Carlo Cappelli, aged 24, director of a film company, for deportation, his counsel applied for bail, and said that Mrs. Dudley Ward and another friend of Cappelli's were in court prepared to stand surety for him. The magistrate withdrew the recommendation and adjourned the hearing.

Cappelli, an Italian, who was alleged to have overstayed his permit under the Aliens Act, said he had money interests in Ace Films Ltd., and pleaded to be allowed to stay in England.

of 40 cents per share be paid for the year 1935."
This was seconded by Mr. C. Gordon Mackie and carried unanimously.
Mr. M. T. Johnson was elected to the Board of Directors on the proposal of the Mr. B. Wong Tape, seconded by Mr. Chua Seng-choo, while Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews were appointed auditors for the ensuing year on the proposal of Mr. W. Allen, seconded by Mr. C. A. L. Rickett.

BIG ENTRIES FOR COLONY TENNIS TITLES

Extension Brings Better Results

SINGLES AND DOUBLES CHAMPIONS TO PLAY

Slightly more entries than last year rewarded the Hong Kong Cricket Club's decision to extend the closing date for the Colony Open Singles and Doubles Lawn Tennis Championships for a week, the lists closing yesterday with 57 names for the Open Singles and 31 pairs for the Open Doubles.

In both events the champions will defend their titles.
Sirdar Rumjahn, holder of the Open Singles, will have to look to his laurels in the face of such stiff opposition as Lai Kwong-tsun, the Canton champion, Tsui Wai-pui, a former holder, who is playing as well as ever, H. D. Rumjahn, his cousin who was featured in a thrilling match two seasons ago in the Semi-Final Round, and L. C. Fincher, a finalist on many occasions. The Shute twins are also making another appearance in this event.

Doubles More Open

In the Doubles the Rumjahn cousins, H. D. and S. A., who have held the title for the last 11 years, will probably be fully extended.

E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung, of the K.C.C., and T. A. Pearce and L. Goldman, of the H.K.C.C., are very likely semi-finalists, while J. Leonard and Y. Hachima, of Craigewor, are also strong enough to reach the same stage. The following are the complete entries:—

Open Singles

M. Pagh, M. Nui-kwong, S. A. Gray, Capt. J. D. Milne, Tennis Kwok, A. Crawford, W. C. Hung, P. H. Kwok, Wei Chun-tung, Lee Hua-ngak, James Hsu, K. T. Kwik, Y. C. Lan, Surg. Lt. W. A. S. Grant, Lai Kwong-tsun, Tsui Wai-pui, T. A. Pearce, T. C. Monaghan, M. W. Lo, R. Blyth, P. H. Scoones, Firdos Khan, Tsui Wai-pui, H. Shute, W. Shute, G. C. Burnett, S. W. Liang, Capt. W. J. E. Cragg, I. M. A. Razack, F. B. Zimmern, S. A. Rumjahn, H. D. Rumjahn, Leonie Ping-chiu, A. V. Gosano, R. Choa, M. Drysdale, J. Tavares, Lt. Comdr. H. E. Conway, Wing Comdr. H. G. Bishop, Capt. L. J. Walsh, P. MacDougall, A. Wan, Lee Wai-tong, H. Y. Ho, In Tak-chauk, J. W. Leonard, C. H. Ung, Paul Kong, Fong Fuk-nam, Y. Hachima, E. C. Fincher, Lai Kwong-tsun, N. A. E. Mackay, A. E. P. Guest, Lt. R. A. B. Phillipore, L. A. Sullivan, R. Owen Hughes and S. Ling.

Open Doubles

H. A. Barros and J. Gonzales, J. Crawford and S. A. Gray, G. S. Gamble and T. C. Monaghan, Capt. J. D. Milne and Lt. W. N. Petch, M. W. and M. K. Lo, B. O'M. Deane and G. E. R. Divett, E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung, P. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang, Lee Hua-ngak and Tennis Kwok, Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yan-pui, T. A. Pearce and L. Goldman, P. H. Scoones and A. L. Sullivan, Y. N. Tan and P. C. Lee, J. C. Pool and E. Henry, G. C. Burnett and A. W. Ramsey, K. and W. Shute, E. Bathurst and A. T. Lay, I. M. A. Razack and A. K. Saffad, S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn, A. V. Gosano and A. V. Remedios, M. Pagh and H. E. Conway, J. A. Bendall and I. Agrafuoff, Wing Comdr. H. G. Bishop, and Capt. L. J. Walsh, Lee Wai-tong and Luk Ding-cheong, P. F. McCabe and D. Carey, M. Drysdale and J. Tavares, G. Lai and G. Chang, In Tak-chauk and In Tak-lam, J. W. Leonard and Y. Hachima, Wong Fuk-nam and K. F. Lui, Lt. W. P. Lucy and Lt. R. A. B. Phillipore.

TRESPASSING FOR RABBITS

Prosecution Started By Hearst

Mr. William Randolph Hearst, the American newspaper proprietor, who is the owner of St. Donat's Castle, Glamorgan, was the prosecutor in two cases at Cowbridge Court recently.

Cyril James Turrell and Walter Liscombe, both of Llantrif Major, were summoned for trespassing upon Mr. Hearst's land in pursuit of rabbits.

Frederick Groom said that he saw the men hunting the hedges with two dogs. No rabbits were found on them.

Turrell was fined 10s. and Liscombe 5s.

The ass. Talma is due here from Singapore next Tuesday morning.

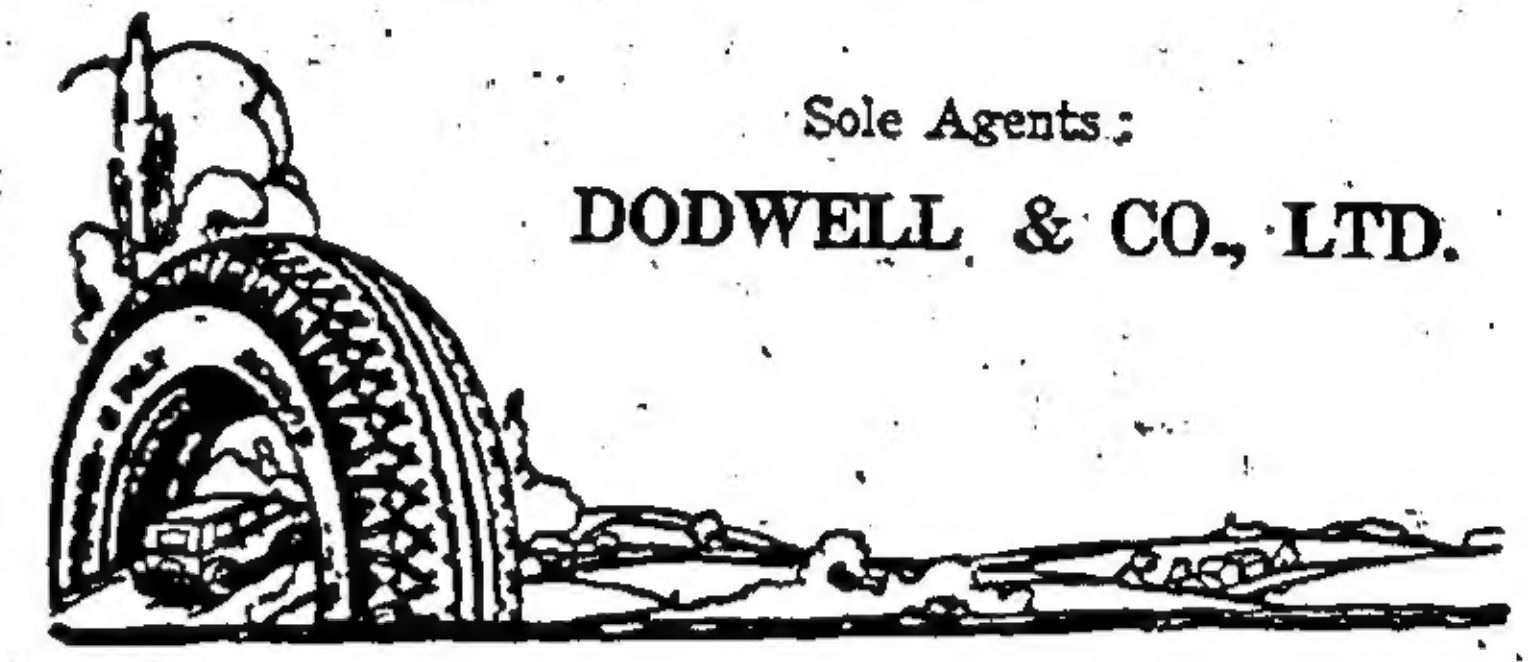
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To-day's Short Story

Music Hath Qualms

By Douglas Simpson

THE feud which waged between Colonel Bludgeon and Miss Lavina Wintery dated back to the middle-aged days of the Oldest Inhabitant. But, the mind of that ancient being now no longer clear about anything save the indispensability of beer, the original cause of the fierce and sustained ill-will which each of these respected pillars of Little Worplesdon bore towards the other had long been lost in the passage of time.

In Little Worplesdon the feud had taken its place as an institution, like market day and the travelling picture show. The villagers noted each succeeding clash of these mortal enemies with the same exactness that they exercised in compiling the record of the local football team.

Some said that the colonel was a rejected suitor of Miss Lavina's youth; others, that it was Miss Wintery who had been spurned by her everlasting indignation, by the once dashing colonel. A third school of thought, less romantic, traced the origin of the feud to the spectacular disagreement of a valuable Persian cat and a pedigree bull-terrier which had ended fatally for the Persian cat.

As the colonel and Miss Wintery were next-door neighbours, there was no shortage of hostile opportunity. Miss Wintery had but to express in public her inbred dislike of any dog to find the backyard of her enemy instantaneous-

ly athrong with a myriad of the most unprepossessing curs that money could buy.

The colonel would bellow in the local Constitutional Club of his rooted antipathy to cats, and lo! within a week, the neat spinsterial villa of Miss Wintery would be overrun with the sleekest and most agile felines that ever cut short the career of a prize chrysanthemum.

But the shrewdest blow of the long campaign was undoubtedly struck when Miss Wintery introduced her harmonium.

It came about through a concert at the village hall.

TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "Oranges," by William Saroyan.

The chief item of that particular evening's entertainment was to be a selection of solo music on the harmonium, rendered by the vicar's youngest daughter. It was agreed in Little Worplesdon that the vicar's youngest daughter played the harmonium very nicely indeed; nevertheless, it would be useless to deny that the very first dulcet chord struck by that painstaking young lady synchronised with the slam of the village hall door behind the retreating back of Colonel Bludgeon.

It was the instrument, not the artist, to which the colonel objected. The harmonium, it seemed, was his pet aversion.

The contents of the large packing case which was delivered at the house of Miss Wintery some three days afterwards caused no speculation in the village. Its arrival, in fact, had been confidently predicted.

The strains of Miss Wintery's harmonium drifted out into the morning air after just that time it takes to unpack a large packing case, and, apart from brief intervals for refreshment, those same strains continued to drift throughout the day and evening and again in early morn.

In a week the martial springiness had departed from the step of Colonel Bludgeon; in a month, the lines of care lay heavily upon his brow, and village errand boys trembled to deliver at his door.

With doors and windows tightly shut, and a powerful wireless set which he disliked in an only slightly less degree than the harmonium—blaring forth at full volume, even then the colonel could not altogether exclude the diligent harmony of Miss Wintery. An application to the local Bench that the harmonium should be silenced as a public nuisance had been sympathetically received but reluctantly refused. The magistrates were all cronies of the colonel's at the Constitutional Club, but they were also entertained to tea by Miss Wintery.

It was, oddly enough, Rupert Bludgeon who saved the colonel from ignominious retreat. Oddly, because this irresponsible nephew of Colonel Bludgeon's was the last person Little Worplesdon would have imagined in the light of his uncle's rescuing angel.

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LIVELY FILM WITH MUSIC

Picturesque Scenes Of Spain

"ROSE OF THE RANCHO" AT QUEEN'S THEATRE

This film, featuring Gladys Swarthout and John Boles, is lively and entertaining all the way through. Not only that: it is full of rhythmic Spanish music; the lovely, pure soprano of Gladys Swarthout and the powerful voice of Boles. Plenty of laughs too, and scenes as picturesque as you might desire.

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Then John Boles appears. Lovelorn Rosita, he is ignorant of the role as Don Carlos and it appears that he is himself in league with the "land-grabbers." Then there is excitement. Humour over mugs of beer and the exploits of an absent-minded insurance agent come in to complete our enjoyment.

Boles is at his best as a dashing Spaniard and Gladys Swarthout is one of the loveliest women on the screen, her voice a perfection.

Germany And China

Dr. Chen Presents Credentials

HITLER PROMISES SUPPORT

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL
Berlin, To-day.
The new Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Chen Tien-fang, was received yesterday by Chancellor Hitler, to whom he presented his credentials.

The Ambassador was received with the customary military honour at the Presidential Palace where the audience took place, at which the Foreign Minister, Baron von Neurath, was also present.

In handing over his credentials as well as his predecessor's letter of recall, Dr. Chen Tien-fang delivered a speech in the Chinese language, in which he stated that he had always been a great admirer of German thought and had invariably entertained the highest esteem for the German achievements in the political, economic, technical and cultural domains.

"I consider it a great honour to become my country's first Ambassador to Germany, and thus to be able to come into more close contact with the leading German statesmen."

"I take the liberty of expressing, Mr. Chancellor, the sincerest wish for the welfare of Your Excellency and the German Reich."

In his reply, Chancellor Hitler, after a cordial reference to the efforts of the former Chinese Minister to Berlin, Mr. Liu Chung-chieh, to draw Germany and China closer together, "efforts which I gladly appreciate," went on to say that the sentiments of admiration for Germany which Dr. Chen Tien-fang had expressed would be highly appreciated here.

"I warmly welcome your assurance that you will consider it your highest duty always to develop the friendly relations between our two countries, and I beg you to be assured that you may always count on my assistance."—Trans-Ocean Service.

RELATIONS STRENGTHENED
Berlin: Presenting his credentials to Herr Hitler, Dr. Chen Tien-fang expressed admiration for the German genius and its achievements in the political, economic, cultural and technical spheres. The very friendly relations between Germany and China had been markedly strengthened in the past year, especially in the economic and cultural spheres.

Herr Hitler, replying, emphasized that Germany attached great value to the friendly relations with China, and assured Dr. Chen of his and the Government's support in his task in Germany.—Reuter.

ILLNESS OF M. STALIN?

Brain Specialist Sent For

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Paris, To-day.
The rumours that it is M. Stalin, the "Red Czar," himself who is to be treated by the noted Swedish brain specialist, Professor Olivecrona, who was rushed to Moscow, seem more and more probable, as reports from the Soviet capital speak of the serious illness of M. Stalin.

Officially the noted specialist is summoned to attend a "private patient."

PATIENT NAMED
Moscow, Later: In view of the rumours that have been current all over Europe, a semi-official statement is forthcoming, which says that the noted Swedish brain specialist, Professor Dr. Olivecrona, was called to Moscow to perform an emergency operation on the Secretary-General of the Soviet Central Executive Committee, M. Aklouff, who it is said, had been injured in a train accident.

M. Aklouff formerly held the post of Chief Prosecutor, and was appointed to his present post last June.—Trans-Ocean Service.

CARAVAN DEATHS

A tanker and his wife were burned to death when their caravan was blown over in a recent gale at Lusk, near Dublin, and burst into flames.

SYRIAN REVOLT CONTINUES

No End To General Strike

NATIONALIST PROCLAMATION

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Jerusalem, To-day.

Although the general strike has lasted 40 days, no tangible signs of its forthcoming end are in sight. The tension continues, despite all the announcements of the ameliorations made by the High Commissioner, M. Martel. Sympathy strikes have broken out in the Republic of Lebanon, the police making many arrests.

The Nationalist bloc in Damascus, after two days' deliberations, issued a proclamation to the Syrian people last night, declaring that the concessions made by the High Commissioner are unsatisfactory. At the same time they emphasised that the confidence placed in the sincerity of the French promises has been abused, because the unity of Syria cannot be regarded as assured.—Trans-Ocean Service.

REVOLUTIONARY PROPOSAL

No More Entailed Estates

BILL INTRODUCED IN POLAND

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Warsaw, To-day.

The Vice-Marshal of the Sejm, M. Miedzinski, has introduced a bill recommending the abolition of entailed estates.

The abolition is to be effected in such a manner that a time-limit of one year is to be set for the voluntary dissolution of these estates by the present owners. After the expiry of this period, the Cabinet Council would be entitled to decree the dissolution of the estates without the owner's consent.

The Bill, if approved by the Polish Parliament, will have far-reaching results in view of the fact that entailed estates form an enormous percentage of the rural property in Poland, where the aristocrats, such as Prince Radziwill Lubomorski and Count Potocki Zamoyiski, each own farms and forests covering many hundred square miles.—Trans-Ocean Service.

BELGIUM AND FRANCE

Military Agreement Of 1920

STATEMENT PROMISED

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Brussels, To-day.

The Premier, M. van Zeeland, stated at a meeting of the Catholic Party's Parliamentary group, that he would shortly give a full statement on the Franco-Belgian military agreement of 1920, the abrogation of which is persistently demanded by the Flemish groups. M. van Zeeland declared in the course of this meeting that he had scrutinised the text of the agreement, adding that without wanting to reproach anybody, he would not have been party to it.

The Premier emphasised that the agreement was entirely non-political, its contents being merely of a technical military character, leaving both parties free to decide the application when needed. The Premier concluded that he hoped his forthcoming statement would satisfy both the opponents and the adherents of the agreement.—Trans-Ocean Service.

UNINSURED MOTORIST

Sentence of one month's imprisonment, with a five years' driving ban, was passed by Mr. Dummett at Bow-street recently on Harry Da Costa, of Harold-road, Upton Park, Essex, for driving a car without being insured against third party risks. This was said to be his third conviction for a similar offence.



Gladys Swarthout, reigning queen of the Metropolitan Opera, makes her screen debut with John Boles in "Rose of the Rancho," the musical production now showing at the Queen's Theatre.

PROF. JEZE'S LECTURES

Temporary Truce In Dispute

STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Paris, To-day.

The long struggle between the students and the University authorities respecting the lectures of Professor Jeze in the faculty of law, though still going on, are no longer characterised by violence. The numerous arrests made by the police having apparently shown the students that other tactics are advisable.

The disheartened students who feel that the public sympathy is on their side, Professor Jeze being exceedingly unpopular for having acted as legal adviser to Abyssinia, demand that Dr. Jeze should give up his academic post. Professor Jeze has hitherto shown little sign of perturbation.

The course of lectures so violently disturbed this term ended on Wednesday, when the Professor bade goodbye to 17 loyal students, expressing the hope that he would see them all again when the next course starts in the coming week, and he said that he hoped by that time the turbulence would have subsided. Professor Jeze added facetiously that he knew what students were and did not bear any grudge.

Elmy Burnt

Shortly after the Professor had left the building crowds of students began to pour in from every entrance to the Sorbonne. One group bringing a paper effigy of Professor Jeze, which was burnt in the central court amid demonstrations of shouting in chorus "Resign!" The University authorities described this episode of protest "childish behaviour beneath notice."

The only precaution being taken to prevent a renewal of the lecture-room demonstration is the insistence that every student on entering the Sorbonne shall show his membership card entitling him to attend the lectures.—Trans-Ocean Service.

ENGLISH CHANNEL TRAIN FERRY

Ready By October

London, To-day.

A train ferry service from Dover across the English Channel to Dunkirk will be in regular service by October next. This was announced at the annual meeting of the Southern Railway Company, under whose auspices the service will be conducted.

It was stated that it would enable business men to leave London late at night and sleep in the same train berth until they reached Paris for breakfast. The competition of the air routes must inevitably increase, but confidence was expressed that on the London-Paris route the new train ferry service would be preferred to the air journey.—British Wireless Service.

POLYNESIAN PEOPLES

German Professor's Searches

EXPEDITION TO MALAYAN ARCHIPELAGO

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Berlin, To-day.

The noted German ethnologist, Dr. Hugo Albert Benatzki, will shortly depart for Indo-China, further to study the mystery of the origin of the Polynesian tribes. Dr. Benatzki, who will be accompanied by his wife, has in previous years extensively travelled in West Africa, as well as in Australia, New Guinea and the Malayan Archipelago to investigate the early migrations of the Polynesian peoples, and has come to the conclusion that their earliest abodes will probably be found in Indo-China.

On his forthcoming journey, he will first visit the Merqui Archipelago near the southern coast of lower Burma to visit the remote island race of Selungs, and will then proceed to the so-called "Four Nations Corner," between Siam, Burma, China and French Indo-China, which, like the neighbouring Shan regions, is inhabited by numerous highly interesting tribes, whose origin has not yet been determined.

Dr. Benatzki there hopes to establish contact with the Chinese mountain tribes of Miao and Yao, as well as with the Tibetan peoples of Lahu, Lisu and Akkha.

The expedition will presumably take more than a year, and the Governments of the various countries the explorer expects to visit have promised their whole-hearted co-operation.—Trans-Ocean Service.

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Catalonian Politics
Madrid: The permanent committee of the Cortes, with all the votes except those of its Monarchist members, decided to empower the Catalan Parliament to reassemble, elect a new President and a new Government. It is expected that the members of the former Separatist Government, who have but shortly been released from prison, will now resume their former posts.

The Catalan autonomy status, which was abolished after the October revolt, will, however, not be restored.—Trans-Ocean Service.

UNREST IN IRELAND

Churchmen Ask For Investigation

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Belfast, To-day.

The bloody religious riots of last summer are likely to have a sequel, if the investigations into the causes, as demanded by the Irish Primates, Cardinal MacRory, and the Bishop of Down and Connor, Dr. Mageau, are carried out.

Both church dignitaries demand that a committee be set up to sift the truth regarding the outrages, which cost the lives of many citizens and resulted in heavy material damage, as well as in the increase of unemployment.

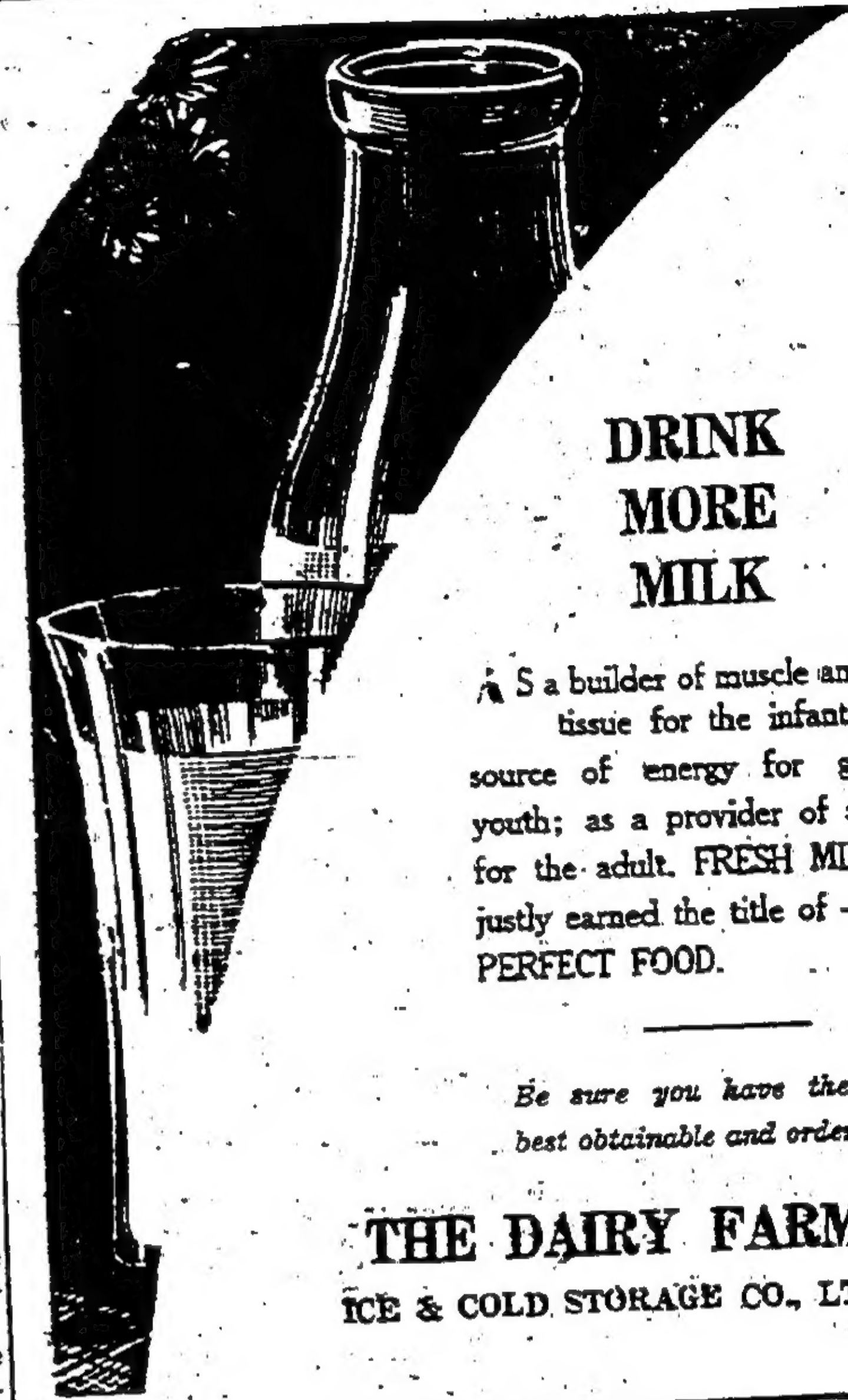
The Cardinal and the Bishop both state that the investigation would prove that there is no foundation for the statement of the Premier of Northern Ireland, Lord Craigavon, that the reports of persecutions in the North are fiction.

The Cardinal furthermore points out that under the pseudonym of "United Front" a camouflaged Bolshevism movement was active within the six counties of Southern Ireland.—Trans-Ocean Service.



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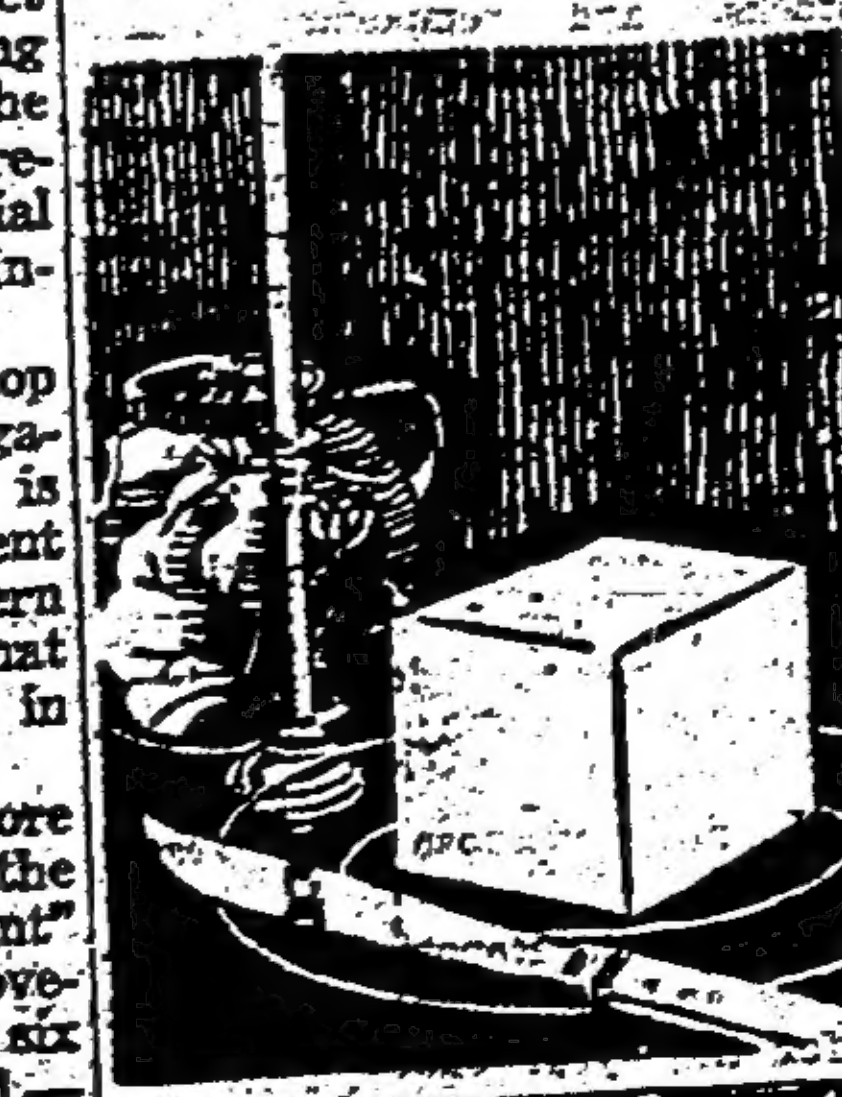
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Music Hath Qualms

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Nevertheless, it was Rupert, balanced precariously on one of Miss Wintery's fragile armchairs, listening appreciatively to an accurate if unnecessarily loud rendering of "Home, Sweet Home" on the hated harmonium, who did the damage.

He had arrived in Little Worpleston that morning, and listened with equal appreciation to a military description of the said harmonium. He had sympathized with the colonel, congratulated Miss Wintery, and was now drinking Miss Wintery's excellent China tea.

"I wonder," said Miss Wintery with great satisfaction, "just why your uncle hates the harmonium so much?"

It was not so much a question as a purr of gratitude to those powers-that-be who had so constructed the colonel's emotional system. But Rupert answered it with a bombshell.

"He doesn't really hate it, you know," said Rupert. "He loves it. It's you having it that he hates so much!"

With pardonable asperity Miss Wintery struck a discord. She liked Rupert, but she had no patience with the muddle-headedness of Youth.

"Fiddlesticks!" said Miss Wintery testily, and pressed anew on the loud pedal.

But Rupert was not abashed.

"It's a fact," he said. "I know it is the most ridiculous thing you ever could imagine, but there it is. My uncle has had the same weakness all his life. He never could resist a harmonium."

Out of sheer exasperation Miss Wintery stopped playing.

"What on earth are you talking about, Rupert?" she demanded.

"Why, the harmonium! Always makes my uncle feel sentimental. That's why he hates having to listen to it so much. Military man—sentiment—not done, you know. Thought you knew."

"Are you trying to tell me," said Miss Wintery with ominous calm, "that your uncle really likes the harmonium?"

Rupert looked surprised. "Why, yes! Didn't you know? Thought you played it just to make him feel all goosey. Look!"

Miss Wintery looked. Out of her drawing-room window. Across the garden wall. Into the kitchen of her foe.

There was no mistaking that brick-red countenance, bowed over the kitchen table, unusual though it might seem. Colonel Bludgeon was undoubtedly seated in his kitchen, and even as they looked he raised his head and two large drops, detaching themselves from either eye, trickled down his cheek and splashed into invisibility.

"To think," said Miss Wintery between her teeth, "that for five whole weeks I have been pandering to the senile snivellings of that mandarin old fool!"

Miss Wintery's harmonium now stands in the village institute, and the feud pursues its normal course. There are many, the story having leaked out, who deplored the fact that Rupert Bludgeon should have exhibited such a small knowledge of feminine psychology, and thus turned to putty in her hands a weapon that brought Miss Wintery so close to victory.

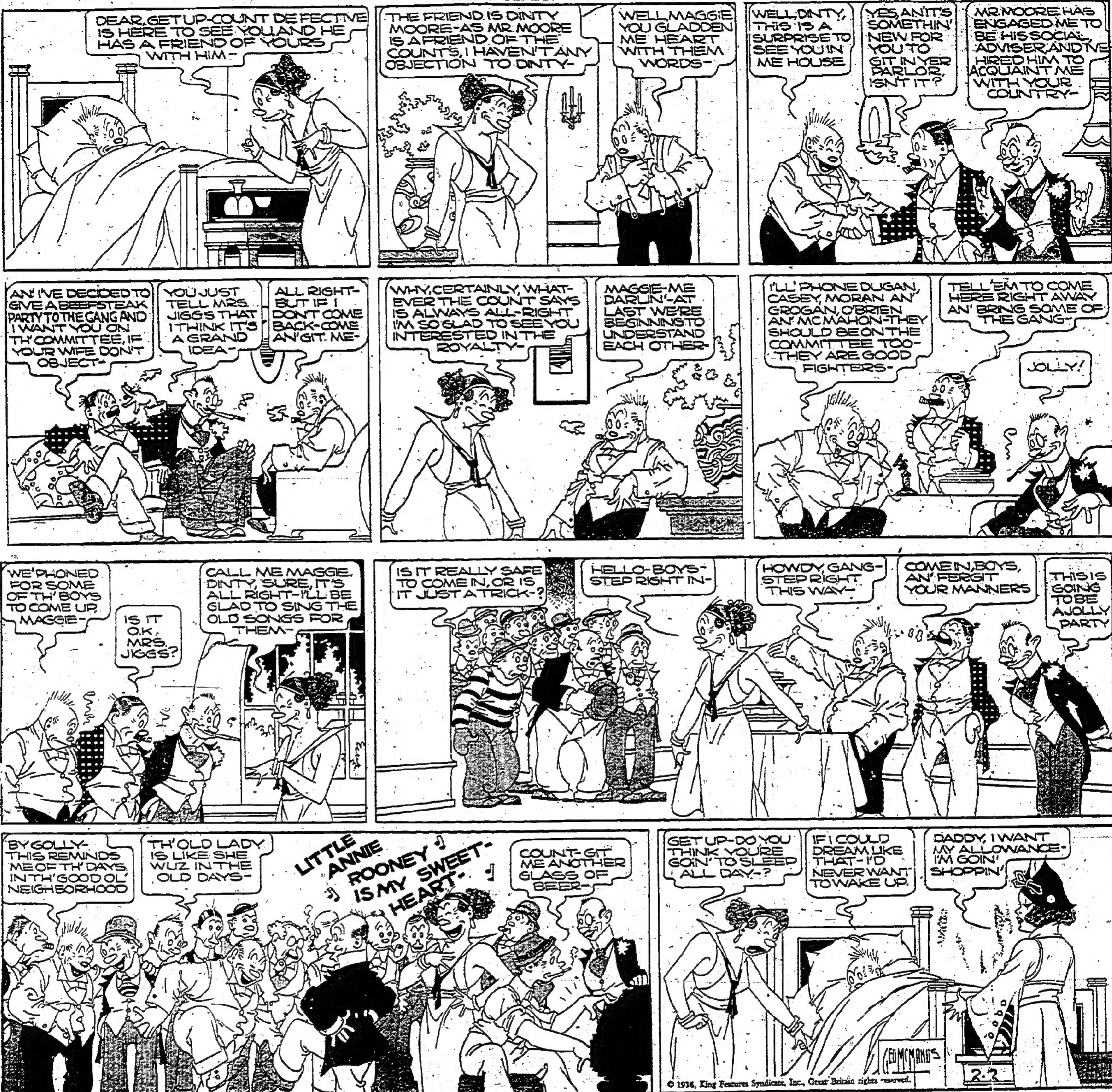
There are two things which will ever remain a puzzle to the colonel. The first is just what exactly his nephew can have said to Miss Wintery to effect so miraculous a removal of the cause of his nightmares. The second, more mysterious still, is why he, stern pillar of the militia that he is, should invariably be referred to by Miss Wintery as "that sentimental old idiot."

Two things also Miss Wintery will never know. One is that Rupert Bludgeon left Little Worpleston on the eve of the transference of her harmonium to the institute with a cheque for fifty pounds in his pocket, that being the agreed reward for engineering said transference.

And the other is that on that same day Rupert demanded of his uncle that there should be for their dinner his famous Bengal curry. No hands save the colonel's own dared mix that fiery dish, and chief among the ingredients of it are the very strongest of onions.

THE END

Bringing Up Father



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Talkie Talks

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Brisson will like this, even if they do not think it quite as good as "All the King's Horses" (Queen's).

"The Man Who Broke The Bank At Monte Carlo"

The one and only Ronald Colman will charm us all again in a light-hearted romance about a Russian refugee, earning his living as a taxi-driver, who has an extraordinary run of good luck at the baccarat bank in Monte Carlo. Colman seems to enjoy his holiday away from heavy costume drama, and is as polished and fascinating as ever. Joan Bennett is the heart interest. This Twentieth Century-Fox will be showing at the two theatres, King's and Alhambra, from March 7. Put this on your "must see" list.

Majestic

"Redheads on Parade" is first-class entertainment, with lovely girls, catchy songs, super dance ensembles and a large cast working hard. Mrs. Bing Crosby (Dixie Lee) and John Boles sharing the stellar honours in singing.

Followed by "A Night at the Opera," the M.G.M. picture with the Three Marx Bros. This is easily the most amusing of the famous comedians have made, and from the first "shot" to the farcical Tarzan-like chase at the end, it is one long laugh. Even if you are not keen on the so-called humour of the Marx Brothers you will appreciate the marvellous harp solo by Harpe and the piano solo by Chico. Kitty Carlisle should not dare sing Grand Opera, but the new man, Allan Jones, and Walter King, do well in their numbers.

"Murder on a Honeymoon" comes next. Bright entertainment. Comedy and drama, with Edna May Oliver, James Gleason, Lola Lane and many more. Worth seeing.

Oriental

If you care for the particular brand of humour served up by the ever-quarrelsome pair, Mary Boland and Charles Ruggles, you will enjoy "People Will Talk."

This is followed by a tense drama, "The Last Outpost," the eternal triangle this time being Cary Grant, Claud Rains and Gertrude Michael. Well produced war scenes and fine acting put this over.

"Scarlet Empress" is Marlene Dietrich looking marvellously beautiful. John Lodge, Sam Jaffe, Louise Dresser and bizarre settings—probably true-of life—lived in Russia in the cruel days and nights of Catherine the Great and her heirs. Worth seeing. (Oriental).

Star, Kowloon

"White Cockatoo," a mystery melodrama of murders in a strange hotel. Expert direction by Alan Crosland with average acting by Jean Muir, Ricardo Cortez, Ruth Donnelly, Minna Gombell, John Eldredge and the late Gordon Westcott.

Then comes one night of the British film "That's a Good Girl," starring Jack Buchanan.

Later on in the week Wheeler and Woolsey in "The Nitwits."

Another murder mystery, with



As the lovely charmer who tests a gambler's luck in love, Joan Bennett shares the romantic honours with Ronald Colman in "The Man Who Broke The Bank At Monte Carlo," which will be shown at the King's Theatre shortly.



Joel McCrea plays the leading part in the Samuel Goldwyn production, "The Barbary Coast," which will be shown at the King's Theatre on Sunday.



Here are two of the forty-eight gorgeous, glamorous redheads whose dancing and singing make "Redheads on Parade," which is now being shown at the Majestic Theatre, the outstanding musical hit of the year.



Paul Muni and Ann Dvorak are in the Warner Bros. production "Dr. Socrates," which will be shown at the Star Theatre soon.



John Boles and Dixie Lee are in "Redheads on Parade," which is now being shown at the Majestic Theatre.

lots of original gags, making this one of the best of the two comedians. The famous German tenor Richard Tauber is well cast in "Blossom Time" and the music is delightfully sung. All due at the popular Star. —DIANE.

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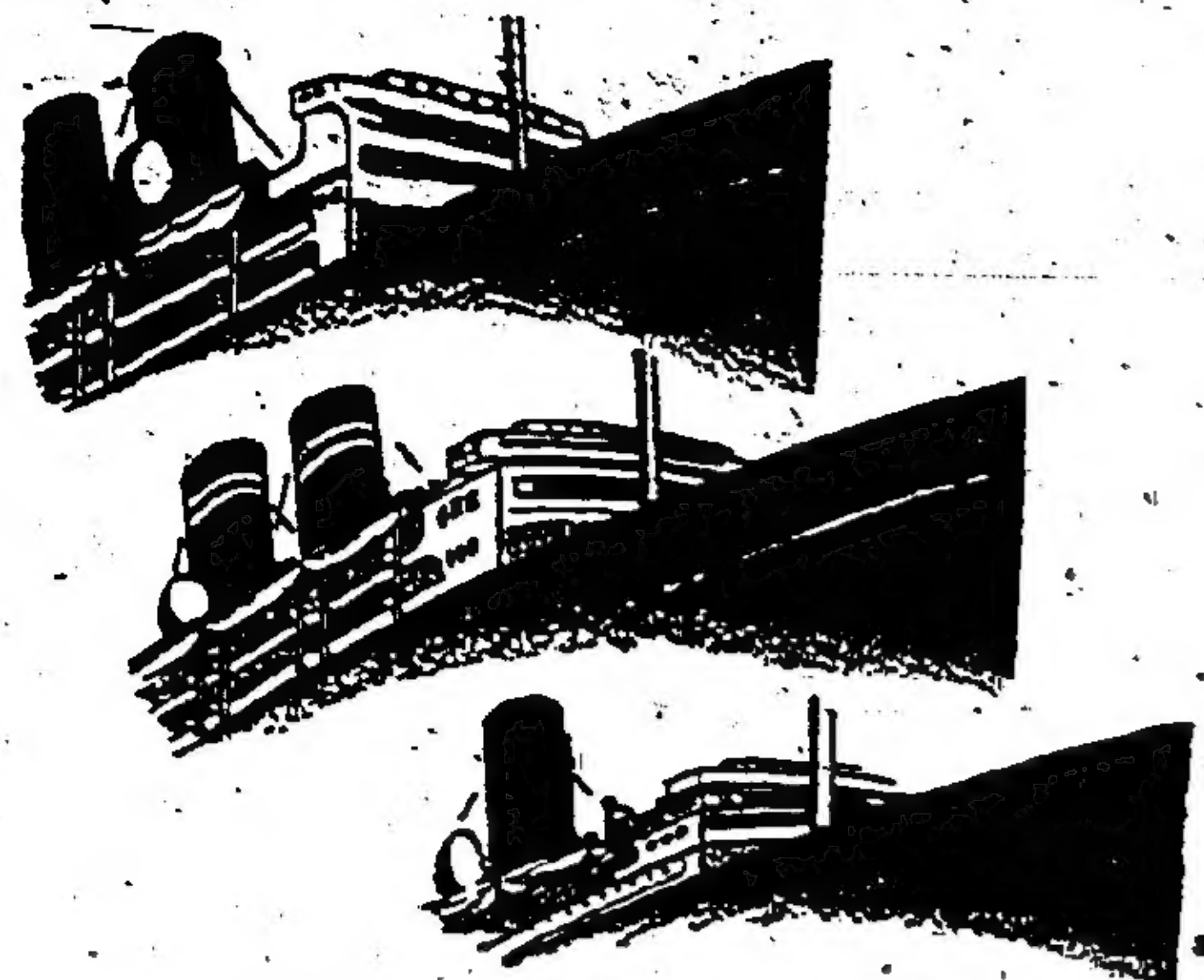
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Captain Carter was born at St. Peter's Port, Jersey, was in the Worcester Training Ship from 1898 to 1900, served his apprenticeship in the sailing ships Glendore and Lawhill and in the s.s. Ottawa from 1900 to 1903.

War Service

He joined the P. and O. as 5th officer in the Peshawar in 1905, and on the outbreak of war went to the Navy and was on war service up to 1918. After the war he returned to the P. and O. service and it was as the result of several transfers of commands consequent upon the retirement of Captain Sudell, Commander of the Strathmore, that Captain Carter was appointed to the Mooltan in January, 1936.

He has commanded or been Staff-Commander in a number of the Company's vessels, including the Khyber, the Maloja, Alipore, Strathaird and Strathnaver. With his long experience in the P. and O. Line, Captain Carter is well known to a large number of the travelling public, and has many friends in the ports of the Eastern and Australian run.

Captain Legg's Career

Captain J. M. Legg, who is proceeding to Bombay shortly to take command of the Ranpura, is a native of Kent. He served a four years' apprenticeship in the famous sailing ship Port Jackson and had a year in steam in the s.s. Ayrshire.

He joined the P. and O. Company as 5th Officer of the Plassy in 1906. Captain Legg is another Commander well known on the Eastern and Australian run, his last vessel having been the s.s. Mantua, which he commanded from March 1933, until she was sold to be broken up last November.

LOSSES SUFFERED IN BUSINESS

Ex-Guards Officer's \$44,000 Debts

Capt. Percival Glyn-Lawson, Johnstone, formerly of the Scots Guards, in a statement quoted at a meeting of his creditors, held last month at Bankruptcy-buildings, said: "I would have been a wealthy man to-day if I had sat still and done nothing, instead of trying to work. But there is one consolation—at least I have employed labour."

After being invalided out of the Army, Capt. Lawson-Johnstone said, he tried various forms of business, and lost \$10,000 in respect of a sugar beet company.

The total liabilities were estimated at \$44,180. Mr. Stewart Cole, chartered accountant, was appointed trustee of the estate.

DRIVING BAN QUASHED

Lorry Driver Who Had Clean Licence

A conviction for dangerous driving, a £1 fine, with £2 10s. 5d. costs, and five years' disqualification from driving against William Charles Childley, a Stepney Borough Council lorry driver, were quashed on appeal at London Sessions recently. Childley was allowed 10 guineas costs.

The case, which was heard at Thames Police-court, arose from a collision in which Childley's lorry was involved. Childley now denied that his speed was excessive. He had a clean licence.

ROMAN COINS

Nearly 300 Roman coins have been dug up by a ploughboy at Caesher farm, Gillingham, Monmouthshire.



Dixie Lee is in "Redheads on Parade," which will be shown at the Majestic Theatre soon.

FIRST GLIMPSES OF BOAT RACE CREWS

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A very wise decision was that the practice should start on the Radley stretch of the Thames, instead of on home waters, as has usually been the case in previous years. Nothing can be more boring than to have to cover the home course twice up and down, as Oxford crews must do to have an outing of useful length. Single mile stretches at a time during the first month, in my opinion, are of no use whatsoever to a crew who one day have to row four and a quarter miles at top pressure.

The Radley course is nearly ideal for, with the exception of a sharp bend in the middle, a stretch can be obtained equal to the University course, and, moreover, on a stream which is more comparable in liveliness with the Tideway.

Teaches Watermanship

The Cam, usually known as a muddy ditch, has at least the saving grace that three and a quarter miles non-stop can be rowed, and the three practically right-angle bends all serve to teach the crew watermanship and boat control.

The outlook for Oxford would, therefore, seem most bright, for with a crew of very even composition, together with its present outstanding qualities, the Cambridge coaches in charge of it should be capable of turning out an eight which will keep the odds in the balance.

As everyone must agree, the number of consecutive Cambridge wins has attained a degree (12 in all) that, from the psychological point of view, every year makes it easier for Cambridge to lose, and gives the more encouragement to Oxford to win.

In nearly every one of these years Cambridge have had at least two first-class oars, and this year they have a most formidable five: Wilson, Laurie, Kingsford, London and Burnford. But, on the other hand, it frequently proves difficult to weld together the varying personalities of successful oars, hailing from various colleges, into one "ensemble."

So that, although an eight on paper may appear invincible, an eight of less imposing names could easily beat it by being more perfectly together.

Proficient In Tricks

The usual practice of "mileage makes champions" is again being pursued by Cambridge, and the President, J. H. T. Wilson, is making them most proficient in tricks! They would do credit to Betram Mills himself!

But, joking apart, it is a pity that more coaches do not show his initiative, for, apart from being great fun, it really teaches a crew to learn to balance their craft, whereas so many crews only possess an artificial control. One of their tricks is to "easy" jam, the oar handles in the sculls, and, with beautiful balance, go through a form of Swedish drill!

The boat is again fitted with swivel rowlocks, and, being taught more on blade-work and legwork principles, they are a good deal olier in their movements than Oxford. The latter still remain faithful to orthodox oar handles in the sculls, and under the successful Cambridge coaches of the late regime.

Once again, therefore, we are to see the results of what I regard as the true orthodoxy of Steve Fairbairn pitted against those of the old English orthodox school. I wonder if we shall ever find two crews the movements of which everyone praises!

WHAT OF THE FUTURE IN ABYSSINIA?

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a settlement; sitting on the back of an opponent, because he will strike you again should he regain his feet, is not one.

None who knows the Abyssinian well believes that he will ever finally surrender his independence. The foreign Power that holds Abyssinia must do so, at least for generations to come, with an army. Methods of policing occupied territory so successfully, employed by European Powers in other African territories will not answer here.

Stirred-up Feeling

As a matter of fact the occupation of Abyssinia by Italy may well stir up African racial feeling against all white men and ultimately force them to strengthen their garrisons throughout the continent. But suppose we look beyond this effect! Suppose that the present war ended in a world conflagration and the destruction of European civilisation; that the coloured people of Abyssinia and East Africa seized the opportunity to combine against the whites; that they drove the remnants of the Italian East African Army, the Europeans in Somaliland, in Uganda, in Tanganyika Territory into the Highlands of Kenya to make with the Europeans already there a combined, and successful stand.

Let this European community become isolated from the outer world for 1,000 years, during that period thrown entirely on its own resources, its existence continually threatened by a sea of pagans and Mohammedans.

In the year 2935 A.D. it would be discovered by highly-civilised Asiatic powers, who would find it clinging to its religion and such 20th century culture as it had been able to preserve under the conditions it had been forced for so long to endure.

Asiatics Would Judge

Naturally, the Asiatic discoverers would judge that the Europeans to whom they had reopened the outside world were backward; and that, further, they were prone to treat those enemies whom they had so successfully withstood for a thousand years with arrogance and cruelty.

Being reasonable and just men, let us hope, our imaginary Asiatic would not expect an immediate change of heart in the Kenya Whites; they would surely allow sufficient space of time for a generation or two to pass away before demanding that the Whites' conduct should conform to 30th century standards.

Now, in actual fact, highly civilised men colonised the East African coast at least more than 800 years ago. Just north of Mombasa, near the main coastal road, lie the ruins of one of their cities—what happened to the inhabitants is not known.

People Disappeared

Zeila, a decadent port in British Somaliland, was once the port for the ancient Kingdom of Axum; in the hinterland, both in Somaliland and in Abyssinian territory, the ruins of what were, centuries ago, well-built towns and villages exist to this day.

The people of these towns disappeared, leaving only this evidence behind—that they had retired in good order and hoped to return. It is almost certain that they were driven back into the Abyssinian highlands where, for many centuries, isolated from the outside world, ringed around by pagans and Mohammedans bent on their destruction, they held their own.

The later nineteenth century revealed them to the outside world as a backward people who still carried with them out of the wilderness, in which they had been lost for so long, remnants of an ancient culture and civilisation. They were also Christians.

Maybe, at long last, the stiff necks of the Abasi must now bow to the yoke; but that the spirit which upheld them through centuries of trial and tribulation will ever be broken the writer of this article cannot believe.

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After visiting the Civic Centre for nearly half an hour, Commodore Smith and party bade farewell to the Mayor. — Central News Agency.

CO-ORDINATION OF DEFENCE

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Fourthly, the chairmanship of the Principal Supply Officers Committee.

DEPUTY CHAIRMAN'S DUTIES.—The Prime Minister added that it would be the duty of the Deputy Chairman to make such recommendations as he thinks necessary for improving the organisation of the Committee of Imperial Defence.

The position of the Chiefs of Staff Committee would be as follows:—The individuals composing it had a double function, since each advised his own political Chief, and acting together, the Committee preserved the unpaired right to submit confidential reports of their collective military views to the Chairman or Deputy-Chairman of the Committee of Imperial Defence.

The Minister could recommend any improvement he thought necessary in the organisation of the Committee of Imperial Defence. In any event, and for the purposes of co-ordinated planning, the existing Joint Planning Committee, which consisted of the Directors of Plans in the three service departments, would be supplemented by three officers drawn respectively from the Navy, Army and Air Force, who would be graduates of the Imperial Defence College.

THREE OFFICIAL POSITIONS.—These three new officers would hold official positions on the staffs of their respective departments. Their work in their own departments would be chiefly that of obtaining the necessary materials for the preparation of joint plans, but their main work would be on the collective plans prepared by the Joint Planning Committee for submission to the Chiefs of Staff Committee.

In addition steps had been approved for the strengthening of the Secretariat of the Committee of Imperial Defence.

WHITE PAPER PENDING.—The Prime Minister also announced that a White Paper containing the Government's proposals for making good the deficiencies in the national defence services will be available next Wednesday afternoon. The White Paper, which is being awaited with exceptional public interest, will be debated in the Commons on March 9 and 10—British Wireless Service.

DEADLOCK AGAIN

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FRENCH POSITION.—London: It is understood that the Italian decision not to sign a naval treaty may affect the French attitude, owing to the French feeling over the Mediterranean. The French delegates had a long conference with the Americans yesterday afternoon and raised similar technical objections to Italy, but they intimated that they had not yet reached the final decision regarding signature.

The prospects of a supplementary Anglo-German qualitative naval agreement were enhanced when the German Ambassador yesterday informed Mr. Eden that Germany was favourable thereto. — Reuter.

WEATHER REPORT

The anti-cyclone remains stationary, and has increased in intensity; pressure continues highest to the north-west of Shanghai, and is relatively low over Indo-China. North-east winds, fresh; cloudy, was the forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

TROOPS WITHDRAWN FROM STREETS

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SUZUKI BADLY WOUNDED.—Dairen: Admiral Suzuki, Grand Chamberlain, who was first reported to be slightly injured by the rebels, is now in a critical condition, according to news filtering through from Tokyo. The Supreme War Council has been convened, though its own ranks are divided, as it recognises that the most pressing need is to reconcile the many army cliques.

SURRENDER OF REBELS.—Tokyo: The surrender of the mutineers was arranged at a conference at the Military Club between three of their leaders and three generals of the Supreme War Council. The latter gave them the option of a peaceful settlement or forcible suppression.

The leaders then returned to the mutineers' headquarters at the Premier's official residence and an hour later again met the War Councilors at the police headquarters and informed them that the mutineers would surrender to their commanding officers after returning to barracks. — Reuter.

SOVIET CONDOLENCES.—Moscow: The Government yesterday sent a representative to the Japanese Ambassador to express condolences at the assassination of Admiral Okada and other Ministers. — Reuter.

ANXIETY IN SHANGHAI.—Shanghai, Later: The silence in Tokyo this morning, except for the cryptic cablegram: "Situation approximately unchanged," suggests that the censorship, which was relaxed yesterday, has again been tightened up. The message raises doubts whether the rebels have carried out their promise to surrender peaceably at 8 a.m.

Japanese sources in Shanghai are without news, but express fears that the situation may have become worse overnight. — Reuter.

INTEREST IN FRANCE.—Paris: The events in Tokyo are watched with the closest attention by Soviet Russian official quarters, who are afraid that the eventual accession to power of the Japanese military party might lead to the most serious complications, according to reports received here from Moscow.

The Soviet authorities fear, the message adds, that the attempts recently made to bring about a rapprochement between Moscow and Tokyo will be frustrated if the military party in Japan rises to power, so that the last hopes to lessen the existing tension between the two countries would have to be abandoned.

SHARP ATTACKS.—Moscow: Very sharp attacks on Japan are launched by the well-known journalist, M. Radek, in the Communist Party organ *Isvestia*, declaring that events in Japan have caused the greatest uneasiness throughout Soviet Russia and are apt to lead to very serious foreign political consequences. — Trans-Ocean Service.

JAPANESE POET IN COLONY

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LECTURE PLANS.—Although he has not yet been asked to lecture while on tour (he speaks very little English), Mr. Takahama is expected to deliver several papers on "Haiku," as it is known in Japanese, or "Haikai," as it is known in the learned centres on the Continent. He has contributed several outstanding pieces of poetry in recent years, and recently dedicated one in honour of the birthday of His Imperial Japanese Majesty.

During his literary career, he has composed 31 verses of "Waka" poems for the higher social scale in Japan, and 17 for the blue-clad masses, or the democrats.

One of his most ardent pupils in recent years has been Miss Sarah Mayer, of London, who specially came to Japan to study "Haiku," and is probably the only living European to have composed several verses of this Japanese style verse in English.

WELL-KNOWN IN LONDON.—G. Komai, who is well-known in London and in Europe generally, as the only Japanese to compose English poetry, is at present at the head of the London Haiku Party, which was established several years ago and will welcome Mr. Takahama when he arrives in London. Many of London's most prominent Japanese residents, including the Manager of Messrs. Mitsui and Co., the Commercial Attache in London and the Chancellor, Mr. S. Matsuyama, are members of the Party.

Mr. J. Uenohata, the Chief Engineer of the a.s. Hakone Maru, who is a well-known Japanese student of "Haiku," has been entrusted with the care and well-being of his famous passenger.

DRIVEN OFF WITH AXE

Cripple Defies Two Attackers

Although handicapped by an artificial leg, James Morton, who was attacked by two men in a coal depot, near Dalkeith, Midlothian, last month, drove off his assailants with an axe.

Morton, who lost a leg in a colliery accident, was thrown to the floor, where a desperate struggle took place. But he was able to seize the axe and with it he drove away the men who decamped on a motor-cycle.

Badly Hurt.—Morton got a passing motorist to inform the police, who believe that more than two men and more than one motor-cycle were involved in the affair.

10 MEN AND A DOG

Three-Hour Escapade Of Two Bullocks

Two bullocks which ran wild while being driven to a Chertsey (Surrey) slaughter-house plunged through two streams, swam another, galloped across a meadow, pushed their way through a wire fence, and invaded a golf course.

After a three-hours' chase they were rounded up in a cowshed by the combined efforts of 10 men and a dog.

STUDENT TROUBLE ENDED

Make-Up Examinations One Sunday

Nanking, To-day.—The student trouble at Tsinghua University, Peiping, which once threatened to be very serious, has been satisfactorily settled, according to a message received by the Ministry of Education from the Chancellor of the University yesterday. The Chancellor, Mr. Mei, reported that all the professors had agreed to withdraw their resignations. Make-up examinations will begin on Sunday, the report added. — Central News Agency.

NEW PACT RATIFIED

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M. Sarraut declared that he had intended to make the question a question of confidence, and that his failure to do so was due to a regrettable misunderstanding. Since it was too late to do anything about it, the question of confidence must be considered as not put. — Trans-Ocean Service.

PARIS: The Chamber of Deputies ratified the Franco-Soviet Pact by the big majority of 353 votes to 164. The Government had previously decided to make the vote a question of confidence. The pact has still to be ratified by the Senate, which is not expected to happen before the general election in March or April. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

CABARETS BANNED IN CAPITAL

Nanking, To-day.—Adhering to its ban on dance halls in the capital, the local Bureau of Social Welfare rejected the petition of two foreigners for the opening of a cabaret. — Central News Agency.

NAVAL WAR RELIC

A silver identity disc marked "Ian McNeill, midshipman, R.N.R., 1915," was found recently on the beach at Sandgate, Kent.

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